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OUTLINES.

The Senate discusses the liquor question, as pertaining to Inter-State traffic and a bill is drawn up regulating the same; the House committees will be announced today and after the holidays Congress will get down to work——Augustus Ringling, head of the circus combination, is dead at New Orleans——All is quiet at Goldfield and miners are returning to work; General Funston leaves today ——Mr. Taft will reach New York by noon Friday; He refusese to discuss the political situation——The list of dead in the Alabama mine explosion numbers 57——Representative Champ Clark of Missouri says it looks as though Bryan would receive the Democratic nomination and that he will be elected——In the Supreme Court of the United States at Washington, arguments in the case of Sheriff Hunter of Buncombe county against James H. Wood of the Southern Railway were commenced; the case involving the constitutionality of the North Carolina rate law——At Marion, Va., William Moody shot and killed his wife with a double barreled shot gun; He then committed suicide——Colored Masons last night conferred the degrees on Booker Washington——A truce of 24 hours was declared in the fight for control of the Illinois Central Railroad——The trial of Caleb Powers at Georgetown, Ky., drags slowly on, each witness practically denying all that the preceding ones have testified to——Governor Blanchard of Louisiana has offered a reward of $1,000 for the arrest and conviction of the parties who killed two Italians near Chathamvile, several days ago——In the District Supreme Court at Washington yesterday the Secretary of the Treasury was cited to appear in Court by Judge Gould and show cause why he should not be enjoined from turning over more of the Panama Canal bonds to certain banks; the complainant being a New Yorker of means, who says his bid for them was higher than that of some of the banks to which allotments have been made; Mr. Cortelyou is to appear in court on Friday. ——In the State of Soronora, Mexico, a band of Yaqui Indians captured a party of thirteen mining men and murdered all but one of them—— The Battleship fleet was reported at 5.24 P. M. yesterday by wireless; at that time being 270 miles South of Cape Henry and all was well.——New York markets: Money on call firm, at 3 to 12 per cent., ruling rate 12, closing bid 3 per cent, offered at 3 1-2; cotton closed steady, middling uplands 11.90; middling gulf 12.15, sales 2,113 bales; turpentine quiet at 47 1-2; rosin, strained common to good 3.30 to 3.30; flour firm, with a fair trade; corn meal steady; wheat spot, steady; corn spot, easy; oats, spot firm.

Mr. Bryan has "a fair field" for the fight and we expect he is in "fine trim" for it.

The high price of eggs is a blessing in disguise to some of the Congressional orators.

What's the use of telling the man without a dollar, to do his Christmas shopping now.

The poker chip that refuses to stack anywhere except in front of the other fellow, ought to be abolished.

San Francisco has tackled the "prize fight trust" and is about to deliver a knock-out.

"May Providence be with this Congress," prayed the blind chaplain. Well, strangers are frequently admitted.

Tom Lawson says he is "a stock-market wolf" and a number of innocent and overcredulous Red Riding Hoods vouch for the truth of his statement.

Since we have learned that a certain cheap grade of whiskey is made from old rags, we are no longer at a loss to account for the erstwhile popularity of the coon songs.

"We dreamed last night that we saw the entire Atlantic fleet anchored in our deep-water basin," remarks the Alabama Sun. My, My, what terrific visions this Prohibition prospect does conjure up!

The Montgomery Advertisers' movement to abolish prunes is not as treasonable as it might appear. It proposes to do away with them plate by plate, tenderly and correctly stewed, we suppose.

Many a ten, twenty and thirty cent statesman, used to playing week stands at home, has found, after his first performance in Congress, that he isn't even a one night success in Washington.

One thousand laborers who were employed in 1905 to clear the snow from the sidewalks of Chicago, have been carried on the city payroll ever since. The tax payers doubtless will view this as something more in the nature of a cold than square deal.

STATE PROHIBITION

Governor Expresses Hope of Seeing North Carolina "Dry" Before He Goes Out.

IN THE HEAT OF SPEECH

Suggested He May Mean For Extra Session of Legislature to Pass On it—Supreme Court Adjourned For Term.

(Special Star Correspondence)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 18.—Governor Glenn was the principal speaker again last night at a prohibition "mass meeting" held at Tabernacle Baptist Church, and a declaration he made in the midst of a spirited peroration to the effect that if his most earnest efforts could accomplish it, North Carolina should have State prohibition before he retires from the governorship, has started afresh speculations as to the probability of the Governor's asking the special session of the Legislature, in the event it is called to adjust the railroad rate situation, to pass a State Prohibition bill. This, it is argued, is the only way State prohibition could be brought about during the term of Governor Glenn, since he retires from office just a few days after the next regular session of the Legislature convenes.

The Governor last night also appealed for a sweeping victory for prohibition Dec. 26th, promising that if this were only done he would carry the fight directly to Winston, Salisbury, and Wilmington. Interest in the matter of State prohibition by the extra session of the Legislature is particularly strong since it is the general conviction that there will be a special session for the railroad rate compromise.

In his address last night the Governor referred to his intention to leave later in the night for Washington on "Important business for the State." This is the trip during which he is to observe the temper and attitude of the judges of the United States Supreme court during argument of the Wood habeas corpus case with a view to determining upon the advisability of carrying forward the rate litigation to final determination or have the extra session of the Legislature settle the fight by ratifying the compromise for those roads accepting it and make some further provision to regulate those refusing to come into the compromise.

A member of the council of State was asked this morning in the absence of the Governor, as to the probability of prohibition being precipitated in the extra session of the Legislature and said this was not at all likely. In fact, he took the ground that this would, under the proposed call for the session, be impossible as the understanding with the council of State was the call the governor would issue for the Legislature would be for the specific and exclusive purpose of acting on the proposed compromise. He expressed the idea that what the Governor really hoped for was for the Legislature to at the next regular session pass a state prohibition bill within the first fifteen days so that it would be during his term as Governor.

The Governor is very much exercised at the evident lack of interest here in the pending campaign for prohibition. He characterized the attendance last night at the "mass meeting" as a corporal's guard and expressed the fear that the dispensary would win out unless the prohibition people become more alive to the importance of the effort. He has promised to take part in meetings Friday and Saturday nights and in a big Christmas Day mass meeting, he has asked should be held on the evening of Christmas day which will be the night before the election.

The North Carolina Supreme Court completed the work of the term this morning and adjourned sine die. Opinions were delivered in fourteen cases as follows: White vs. Newbern, Craven, new trial; State vs Seaboard Air Line Railway, Franklin, new trial; Beck vs. Southern Railway, Rowan, new trial; Tuttle vs. Tuttle, Transylvania, partial new trial; Bowen vs. Harris, Transylvania, new trial; Davis vs. Rexford, Buncombe, error; McIntyre vs. Asheville, affirmed; Cowan vs. Cunningham & Ward, Swain, affirmed; Ogdon vs. Land Co., Cherokee, affirmed; Frazier vs. Cherokee Indians, affirmed; Norris vs. Insurance Co., Wake, affirmed; Horton vs. Telephone Co., Cleveland, new trial; Shelton vs. Moody, Haywood, error. The Spring term of the Court will convene on the first Monday in February, that day being devoted to the examination of applicants for license to practice law.

To Confer the Third Rank.

Jefferson Lodge No. 61, Knights of Pythias, will confer the third rank at the regular meeting in Castle Hall tonight. All members of Jefferson and Pythians in general are cordially invited to be present. The degree work will be first class.

PRETTY HOME WEDDING

Miss Florence Pearsall Becomes Attractive Bride of Mr. Ralph M. Sheppard—Reception at "Fernside" and Bridal Tour.

"Fernside," the pretty country place of the bride's father, Mr. Oscar Pearsall, in East Wilmington, was the scene of a beautiful home wedding yesterday afternoon at five o'clock when Miss Florence Pearsall was given in marriage to Mr. Ralph M. Sheppard in an impressive service at which the Rev. Alex. D. Mcclure, D. D., pastor of Saint Andrew's Presbyterian Church, of this city, officiated.

The lower floor of the pretty country home was attractively decorated with Southern smilax, palms and flowers, the predominating colors having been green and white and this scheme having been prettily carried out in the halls and parlors. Although no invitations to the wedding had been issued, a large number of friends and relatives were present to witness the pretty service which was declared by all in attendance to have been one of the prettiest home weddings celebrated in this section in many months. The bride was attended as maid of honor by her cousin, Miss Alma Marsh, of Marshville, N. C., and the groom by his brother, Mr. Gordon Sheppard, of Sanford, N. C., as best man. Little Miss Mattie Pearsall, sister of the bride, made a most attractive flower girl and Master Willie Sprunt was ring bearer. The music was furnished by the Wilmington orchestra and when the guests had assembled and the bridal party had entered in perfect order, the bride and groom knelt at an improvised altar of beautiful flowers and the solemn words that made them man and wife were impresively spoken by Dr. McClure.

Following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard received the happiest felicitations of their friends assembled at a reception which was given at the home in their honor. Dainty refreshments were served and those present had an opportunity of seeing the very large number of handsome wedding gifts that were received. The guests included not only a number of Wilmington friends, but several from a distance among the number being Miss Mamie Dixon, of Hickory.

After the wedding and reception, the bridal party took carriages for Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard took their departure for a bridal tour, which will continue two weeks after which they will be at home to friends in this city at The Carolina.

The bride is one of Wilmington's most charming young women and numbers her friends by the hundreds, all of whom will be pleased to welcome her upon her return as Mrs. Sheppard. The groom has for a number of years been identified with the large interests of Messrs. Hugh McRae & Company in this city and at Linville, N. C. He is secretary of the Investment Trust Company and of the Carolina Trucking Development Company besides being otherwise interested in the large interests of the firm by which he is employed. Many friends in Wilmington join those who witnessed the ceremony yesterday afternoon in wishing the young people a long and happy wedded life.

MAJOR D. R. JOHNSON TO WED

Will Claim as Bride Miss Clara Taylor, of Brunswick County.

Handsomely engraved invitations received in the city yesterday announce the approaching marriage of Miss Clara Taylor, the attractive young daughter of Mr. Edward W. Taylor and Major Daniel Russell Johnson, the ceremony to be performed in New Hope Presbyterian Church, Winnabow, Brunswick county, on the afternoon of January 1st 1908, at five o'clock. Both are among the most popular young people of Brunswick. The groom is a son of Mr. Jackson Johnson, of Winnabow, a nephew of ex-Governor Daniel L. Russell, of this city, and is on the staff of General J. F. L. Armfield, of the North Carolina National Guard. He served valiently in the United States Army during the Spanish American War and later spent two years in the Philippines returning to his home several years ago with the rank of lieutenant. He is a young man of splendid ability and both he and the bride-elect have the best wishes of a host of friends upon this announcement.

Rev. T. A. Smoot Arrives.

Rev. T. A. Smoot, the newly assigned pastor of Grace Methodist Church, arrived last evening from Durham, accompanied by Mrs. Smoot and children and for the present they are guests of Mrs. Smoot's mother, Mrs. M. E. McGirt, Fourth and Nun streets. Later they will occupy the parsonage at Second and Walnut streets, which was put in readiness for them by the ladies of Grace Church yesterday. When they arrive at their new home they will find that the ladies of the congregation have well stocked the parsonage pantry, a custom that is old and somewhat rural, but an institution of the Methodist itinerary that expresses as could be expressed in no other way, the hearty welcome which the new pastor should receive at the hands of his people.

SAVING BANK MERGER

Carolina Absorbed By People's at Meeting of Directors of Both Yesterday.

THE SITUATION IN GENERAL

Talk of Another National Bank is Persistent On the Streets—Peoples to Occupy Handsome Building at Corner.

Negotiations pending for several days for the merger of the Carolina Savings and Trust Company with either the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company or the People's Savings Bank in view of the consolidation of the Carolina's parent bank on Monday with the Murchison National Bank, of this city, were concluded yesterday and the Carolina is taken over by the People's, which deal carries out fully the absorption of all the Atlantic National Bank's interests with those of the Murchison.

The announcement was made yesterday morning following a meeting of the directors of both the savings institutions. While the terms of the merger are not made known, it is learned upon good authority that the People's Bank takes over the Carolina upon an equitable basis upon the book value of the stock which is worth over $150 per share. Those who enter the People's Bank with the stock, it is understood get a very attractive proposition while those who desire to sell out are offered $160 or better for their holdings. It is stated that the bid of the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company for the business of the Carolina was not so large and, of course, the plum went to the People's, which will enlarge its capital stock and occupy the handsome banking house soon to be vacated by the Aalantic at northwest corner of Front and Princess streets. The Carolina Savings Bank is at present in a part of this building and the consolidation of the two institutions will merely involve a transfer of the People's Bank from its present quarters two doors above to the corner building. The furniture and fixtures of both banks are handsome but it is understood that all new fixtures and furniture will be installed in the new quarters and that the People's will be not only one of the strongest savings institutions in the South, but one of the most handsomely equipped. Mr. J. Holmes Davis, the popular young cashier of the Carolina, it is understood is given a very attractive position on the staff of the consolidated banks and he will be with the People's when the merger is completed. This will be gratifying news not only to the stockholders of the Carolina but to the large number of depositors who did business with the bank before its consolidation with the People's Bank.

Although one of the youngest savings banks in the city, the Carolina was one of the most popular and progressive. At the time of its last statement the total resources of the Carolina were $350,105.02, and the deposits were $316,986.96. The loans on approved collateral amounted to $273,858.73. The capital stock of the bank was $25,000 and the directors of the institution were President John S. Armstrong; Vice Presidents D. McEachern and Jas. H. Chadbourn, Messrs. R. R. Bellamy, I. Shrier, George R. French, Robert C. DeRosset, J. T. Foy, J. F. Post, William Calder, Thomas Wilson, Mitchell F. Allen, J. G. Barentine, Wm. E. Worth, C. W. Yates and M. S. Willard. It is understood that a majority of these will be taken over into the directorate of the People's Bank upon the increased capital stock.

The People's Savings Bank is capitalized at present at $30,000 and its total resources at the time of last statement were $731,799.90 and its deposits are $650,999.41. The officers and directors are President, H. C. McQueen; Vice President, M. J. Corbett; Cashier, F. W. Dick; Assistant Cashier, O. G. Foard; Directors, Messrs. H. C. McQueen, M. W. Divine, M. J. Corbett, Walker Taylor, J. A. Springer, D. C. Love, Thomas H. Wright, R. R. Stone, E. C. Holt, C. C. Chadbourn, C. P. Bolles, Jr., Roger Moore, B. C. Moore and F. W. Dick.

Further Talk of National Bank.

There was no let up in the talk of another National Bank for Wilmington yesterday and although Mr. J. W. Norwood, who was commonly reputed to be at the head of any movement looking to this end, returned to his home in the afternoon, it was stated that by those who have been in conference with him here the past week, that he would return to the city shortly and there might be some developments upon his return. It is stated that Mr. Joseph W. Yates, at present cashier of the Atlantic National Bank, has received a very attractive proposition from certain interests that are making for the organization of another commercial bank in the city. There were other rumors on the streets during the day in connection with a visit to the city of Mr. John O. Ellington, former State Bank Examiner, and now cashier and first vice president of the Fourth National Bank of Fayetteville. Mr. Ellington spent the day in the city in conference with a number of leading business men, but when seen by a reporter, he was not talking more than in a general way. Those who profess to know say that important developments may be expected within the next week, but all the talk is given for what it is worth and as it is talked on the streets.

Fancy Pillow Tops, Germantown yarns, Peerless slipper soles, Children's bear skin suits, raincoats, Crawford shoes, at Rehder's, the Big Store, North Fourth street. **

LOCAL PORT'S SHIPPING

One Steamer Arrives For Cotton and Another Clears With Cargo for Liverpool—Master of Schooner Augustus Welt Here.

The movement of the cotton fleet at Wilmington yesterday consisted of one arrival and one clearance. The British steamer Dacre Hill, 1,714 tons, Captain Kendall, arrived from New York to Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son and during the day the British steamer Rubens, 2,322 tons, Captain French, cleared for Liverpool with the thirtieth cargo of cotton from Wilmington this season. The Ruben's cargo consists of 12,100 bales, valued at $730,000 and consigned by Messrs. Sprunt & Son.

There was added interest to the abandonment of the schooner Augustus Welt off Cape Hatteras last Saturday afternoon upon the arrival yesterday of the master of the vessel, Captain A. Marshall, from Charleston, S. C., to which port the crew was taken by the Clyde Liner Mohican. The steamer George Weems, of the Baltimore & Carolina Steamship Company which arrived at Charleston Tuesday, reported having seen the Welt anchored at Cape Lookout lightship apparently uninjured and Captain Marshall at once put out to Beaufort, N. C., to go over and take possession of his ship. He reported to Mr. C. D. Maffitt here, reveived certain desired information and proceeded on the afternoon Newbern train. He says that the Welt was never abandoned but was anchored when he and the crew left her and that later she was towed into Lookout Bight by the lightship. The captain of the Baltimore steamer reported at Charleston that the big four-master was apparently all right and there were lights aboard, the vessel evidently being in charge of the crew of the lightship which was anchored about a mile away. The schooner's decks were high out of the water and there appeared to be nothing the matter. The Clyde Liner Algonquin which later came into Charleston confirmed the report brought in by the Baltimore steamer and Captain Marshall probably reached Beaufort last night to look after his vessel.

The message sent by Mr. Maffitt to the cutter at Southport was not delivered as the Seminole had not yet arrived there. None of the Wilmington tugs went in search of the supposed derelict.

U. C. T. MEN TO BANQUET.

Popular Order of Traveling Men to Give Affair at The Colonial.

Cape Fear Council No. 374, United Commercial Travelers of America, has issued handsome invitations to a banquet to be given under the auspices of the council at The Colonial Inn, this city, on Friday evening, December 27th, 1907, at 9 o'clock. The committee is composed of Messrs. David Ray, Junius H. Mallard and Lynn H. Burnett and they are preparing a most inviting affair for the order and for the invited guests of the occasion. The banquet is to follow initiatory work Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock sharp in the Council Hall, over Murchison National Bank. "Something Doing" is the injunction with reference to this meeting which is understood by all United Commercial Travelers.

Mayor Springer has been invited to be present and deliver the welcome address to the visitors upon the occasion.

The order is comparatively young in this city but it is strong and is composed of most of the leading traveling men in this territory. Cape Fear Council is to be congratulated upon what it has attained for itself and for its members.

COMING OF CRESTON CLARKE.

Here Friday Following Christmas in "Power That Governs."

With the memory of his visit to this city in "Monsieur Beaucaire" still lingering in the minds of local theater-goers, the approaching engagement of Creston Clarke in his latest success, "The Power That Governs" arouses expectations of the pleasantest kind. The new piece is said to be a remarkably strong drama, dealing with characters possessed of what might be termed the "positive" type. Its scenes are laid in Mexico, just across the border, but the people of its cast are, with few exceptions, New Yorkers. Mr. Clarke will appear at the Academy on Friday night, December 27th.

The attractions at the Academy the week of December 30th, will be the Williams Comedy Co., which is said to be one of the best of its class traveling South this season.

WATER WORKS DEAL

Aldermen Not of One Opinion as to Purchase of Clarendon Property.

MEETING MAY NOT BE CALLED

Unless There is Some Evidence of an Agreement, Mayor Will Not Convene Board and Trade Will go by Default—Talk Yesterday

The divine right of a woman "to change her mind" seems no less peculiar to the gentler sex than sometimes to members of the Board of Aldermen. After the very generally accepted idea Tuesday that the counter proposition of the Clarendon Water Works Company would be aggreeable to the city, there seems to have been a revolution of sentiment from some unknown cause yesterday, and it is now stated that the proposition will not be accepted.

The Mayor appreciated the fact that perhaps members of the Board should have more time to digest the proposition and very wisely announced that unless the Aldermen could agree upon something he would not convene the Board in extraordinary session and this special meeting may not now be held at all. After sleeping over the proposition presented by the water company, several members of the Board yesterday stated to a reporter that a majority of the Aldermen had about come to the conclusion that the offer of $140,000 as of November 1st, was sufficient and that unless the company wanted to turn over the plant January 1st on the basis of that offer which really amounted to between $145,000 and $147,000, including the certain rentals that the company was allowed to retain, they were in favor of declaring all negotiations off. This is said also to be the view now taken of the proposition by the Water and Sewerage Committee, which would be expected to handle the property for the city, after the purchase is made, and unless the water company is prepared to take that amount, they will not recommend that one cent more be paid.

The Mayor was asked yesterday whether he would call the Board together to consider the counter proposition by the company. He said that he would not; that the fifteen days allowed the water company to accept or reject the ultimatum sent from the last meeting had expired and under the resolution of the Board at that time, he would have no power to call the Aldermen together to consider a question which they had already passed upon. However, he said that if for any reason, the requisite number of Aldermen would request him to call a meeting, he would do so. Unless there are some developments among the Aldermen themselves, but it is expected there will be today, there will be no called meeting.

Members of the Board, most of whom a representative of this paper saw or communicated with yesterday, are sick and tired of the negotiations and it is safe to predict that something will be done conclusively this week. There will either be some further communication with the water company that will warrant them in asking the Mayor for a special meeting of the Board or the whole trade will go by default. Once again the final developments are eagerly waited by the people at large.

ON THE LAST LAP.

Public Schools Rounding Out Final Week Before Christmas.

All the public schools of the city are now engaged with their final examinations for the first term of the current scholastic year, preparatory to a suspension of exercises for the Christmas holidays. The formal exercises closing the schools for the first term will be held at the grammar schools on Friday morning when all patrons and friends will be welcome. The closing exercises, so to speak, of the High School, took place yesterday morning when in company with Supt. Blair, members of the school committees of both districts visited the institution and heard interesting reports of the work accomplished for the term. Mr. Blair in an address stated that the present term had been the most successful in the history of the schools and especially was this true of the High School where the enrollment has beben 220 and the average daily attendance 98 per cent. The standard has been raised during the term and the students are applying themselves diligently with the result that the scholarship is very high. The pupils of the school are now issuing a "college paper", Tileston Topics, wich shows a high degree of literary work being done by its contributors.

Daughters of Confederacy to Meet.

The regular monthly meeting of Cape Fear Chapter, No. 2, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will be held at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The meeting will be of unusual importance from the fact that the annual election of officers will take place. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance at the meeting.

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JAPANESE INVASION.

The government officials have found a way, so they think, to stop one opening which the wily Japs were taking advantage of to get into this country, but there is a gap still open, through which it is suspected that the Orientals are coming through in hordes.

It was once the plan for the Japs to buy tickets on the railroads from stations in Mexico to others beyond the Canadian border, and then to drop off the train at any convenient stopping place enroute.

This scheme worked very well until the government decided to hold the railroads responsible for the safe conduct of the distinguished foreigners from the point of arrival at the Southern border to the point of departure at the North. A matter of $500 penalty for each traveler made the railroads especially solicitous that the Japs did not become confused in changing cars within the United States and were not left behind at any point where they might have stepped out of the train at a stopping place for a breath of fresh air or a snack at the station restaurant.

And so this means of securing a foothold on American soil has become less popular among the Japs, who were willing to take a chance at dodging the Government inspectors but were not able to get past the watchful train hands, whose jobs depended upon the delivery of their charges of human freight intact at the opposite border of the country.

Now, it is reported, the coolies and other Japs who could not get into the country through the front door are stealing over the border from Mexico in spite of the government patrol of the Rio Grande. It is claimed that there are not enough inspectors to cover the long stretch of frontier, and that once the Japs have arrived on this side of the line they are cared for by their countrymen and in the absence of any means of identifying them are able to laugh at the government inspectors afterwards.

It appears that the Japanese government, while refusing to give passports to such of its people to points within the United Sattes, does not hesitate to give them free transport to Mexico. They are supposed to have been engaged to work on the Mexican railroads, but they do not tarry long, before proceeding towards what is undoubtedly their final destination, and, since those held up on their way to the border are found well equipped with road maps of Southern Texas, it is apparent that there is a busy junta across the Mexican border engaged in Japanese transportation business.

The government officials at Washington are at a loss how to stop this. It is really the duty of the government to enforce its own laws at the frontiers, and if it does not do so, it cannot complain with a very good face if undesirable immigration takes advantage of its neglect.

ABOLISHING LOCKSTEP AND STRIPES.

The Superintendent of Blackwell's Island, the New York penitentiary where the minor offenders of New York city are incarcerated, has announced the abolition of striped garments and the lockstep.

He assigns as his reason that such customs are calculated to "kill any smouldering spark of decency that may remain in the prisoner when he is brought to the city prison.

This theory is founded on humane and common sense premises. We believe that it's universal application, in a partial degree at least, would work salutary progress in prison and criminological reform.

A great deal of maudlin and pernicious sentimentality exists, of course, here and there regarding prisoners and it operates occasionally to defeat the corrective and remedial ends of justice.

It is evident, however, that with petty offenders, or those whose crimes are of a nature showing more a frail mind than a bad heart, the imposition of such humiliation as striped suits and the lockstep is apt to confirm them in their callous attitude toward right, bringing them out of prison with their tendencies to crime more strongly emphasized than ever before.

The reform would not be feasible, perhaps, and we doubt if we would care to advocate it in the case of hardened offenders or those of incurably vicious impulses. But we believe that it offers practical mitigation in cases of a lighter nature, as instanced in the foregoing.

Such innovations as these are refreshing evidence that we are daily making progress toward saner and kinder ideals; that we are viewing legal penalties rather in the light of curative and preventative measures than as revengeful, individual punishment.

NO DICTATION WANTED.

The President of the United States has no more constitutional right, no more moral right, no more right in official honor and in fidelity to the people, to use his power over the public service or his power over the public mind to determine who his successor shall be, than he has to employ the same means to insure his own continuance in office.

The New York Journal of Commerce in commenting on this phase of public affairs very aptly says:

"He may so identify the policies he believes in and has sought to promote with the well-being and safety of the country that he deems it essential that somebody shall succeed him who will be sure to continue them. But that is not his business. If he has so impressed his policies upon the people that they desire to have them continued they will see to that."

"If they prefer to see some modification of them, either in the way of more conservatism or greater radicalism, that is equally their right. They have in their political organizations their own advisers and councilors, leaders of their own choice, and they can be trusted to think and act for themselves as the result of popular agitation and debate. They do not need the fatherly direction and should not have the paternal coercion of the President to determine their choice for his successor.

"Now that the President has made it clear that he will under no circumstances be a candidate for re-election, it is his duty to make it equally clear that he has no candidate for the succession and will not use, or permit to be used, the power intrusted to him for the service of the whole people to promote or support the candidacy of any man. There is no greater abuse of official responsibility than the employment of official power and influence to sway the action of the people in selecting their delegates to representative conventions or in choosing those who are to serve them as legislators or elective officers. For the President to say who his successor shall be, and to undertake by the power of his office to control the political organization that has honored him for the ratification of his choice falls little short of setting himself up as a dictator. If his candidate is one of his own official advisers, identified with his administration and devoted to his policies, whatever they may be, the matter is made worse and more closely allied with an effort to perpetuate his own hold upon office."

The offer of the Brooklyn Yacht club to race any competitor from abroad in any kind of a yacht, over any course and under any rules, shows the true sporting spirit. It may also result in a modification of the autocratic conditions surrounding the America's cup in the future, so that possible competitors may be impressed that more of the same feeling prevails in this country.

Buffalo Bill Cody is quoted as saying that he declined an offer of $50,000 to go into court and testify in the Gould divorce case. He does not state just what the trouble was. Can it be possible that the figure was not high enough. According to our way of thinking, testifying in the interest of truth ought not to command a much higher figure.

"Westward, the course of the empire takes its way," is a sentiment which may have impressed itself on the Democratic National Committee in selecting Denver for the National Convention of the party. That town is only a few miles west of Chicago and it looks as though the Democrats are going to sacrifice no chances, even those of sentiment.

Sweden's new King is said to be something of a reactionary and not possessed of his father's broad Catholicism and democratic inclinations. We expected to hear as much; the sturdy Burnadotte blood becomes more and more attenuated as it mingles with that of the ancient European royalty.

The New York courts have een trying for over a year to catch a millionaire automobilist who is cnarged with responsibility for the death of his chauffeur and yet the millionaire ordered an undertaker to bury the chauffeur.

Oven in Germany they call a kangaroo a "lattengitterwetterkotterbeutelratte." We can hardly imagine that the kangaroo is a more popular topic of conversation in Germany than tariff revision is in the United States.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—Those who are really striving to attain to higher things socially might go to the live-stock show and study good breeding where it can be found at its best.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

—Senator Tillman, threading the mazes of the financial situation, displays all the graceful agility of a prize steer in the crockery department.—Chicago News.

—The police arrested a man in Pittsburg because he gave his money away to people on the streets. He should have reserved enough to give the police a tip.—The Newbern Sun.

—Having passed a Jim Crow car bill, the Oklahoma legislature is in trouble again. The rich Indians object to riding with the poor white trash and it may be necessary, in the interests of peace and the Indian vote, to pass a Pood Lo car bill.—Omaha Bee.

—"An Indiana man lived to be ninety years old without ever consulting a doctor," says the Spokane Spokesman-Review. That's all right, in isolated cases; but if every layman practiced such a thing, the poor doctors would all die of starvation in early manhood.—Washington Herald.

—The saloons were driven out of Raleigh by less than two hundred majority. Many who did not vote for the dispensary will vote to drive it out. Let all opponents of that drinking ship stand together and free Raleigh from its demoralizing influences.—News and Observer.

TWINKLINGS.

—Jones—What are you going to give your wife for a Christmas present? Brown—She hasn't told me yet.—Judge.

—A true friend is one who never lets on he doesn't believe you know what you are talking about.—Washington Post.

—Bill—Is it true that heat ascends? Jill—Oh, yes; that is why so many hot-headed men get cold feet.—Yonker's Statesman.

—Discouraging—"Why do babies cry anyway?" "Don't you think a sight of the finished product is enough to make them weep?"—Nashville American.

—Mrs. Knag (viewing house)—Oh, how beautiful! The magnificent view makes me perfectly speechless! Mr. Knag—I'll buy the house!—St. Louis Times.

—Mr. Squiggs—He made his money in automobiles and football. Miss De Kollety—He doesn't look like a sporting man. Mr. Squiggs—No; he's a doctor.—Chicago News.

—Jennie—She's horrid. That Wilson girl has been saying that I paint. Clara—Don't you care. If she had your complexion, maybe she'd paint too.—St. Joseph News-Press.

—"What would you do if your daughter had a talent for piano playing such as mine has?" "Well, I'd try to be resigned."—Cleveland Leader.

—"I don't think the Christmas trade is going to be what it usually is." "Oh, I don't know; my wife is going to give me a dozen handkerchiefs for a silk umbrella, as usual."—St. Louis Post Dispatch.

—Whitten—I thought the young woman you admired so was tall and willowy; I saw her today. She's quite short isn't she? Mitten—Exceedingly short, she simply said "No."—Philadelphia Press.

—"What would you do?" asked the excited politician, "if a paper should call you a liar and a thief?" "Well," said the lawyer, "If I were you I'd toss up a cent to see whether I'd reform or lick the editor."—Cleveland Leader.

—He Got It—He was a poor man but a contented one. Santa Claus came to him and said: "What do you want, my friend?" "Nothing," he replied. And Santa Claus was so pleased that he gave it to him and passed on.—Judge.

Pale Delicate Women and Girls.
The Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out malaria and builds up the system. For grown people and children, 50c.

A Real Wonderland.
South Dakota, with its rich silver mines, bonanza farms, wide ranges and strange natural formations, is a veritable wonderland. At Mound City, in the home of Mrs. E. D. Clapp, a wonderful case of healing has lately occurred. Her son seemed near death with lung and throat trouble. "Exhausting coughing spells occurred every five minutes," writes Mrs. Clapp, "when I began giving Dr. King's New Discovery, the great medicine, that saved his life and completely cured him. "Guaranteed for coughs and colds, throat and lung troubles, by R. R. Bellamy, druggist, 50c. and $1.00. Trial bottle 10c.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over 60 years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents bottle. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, and take no other.
GUARANTEED UNDER THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, JUNE 30TH, 1906, SERIAL NUMBER 1098.
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Fancy Pillow Tops, Germantown yarns, Peerless slipper soles, Children's bear skin suits, raincoats, Crawford shoes, at Rehder's, the Big Store, North Fourth street. **

Advise your friends in private; praise them openly.—Syrus.

"MY FAULT."

Don't let it be said it was your fault that Death entered the household. GOWAN'S PNEUMONIA CURE cures colds, croup and pneumonia. This fact has been established. Then it is manifestly your duty to have a bottle in the home. External. All druggists. TODAY.

Christmas Suggestions
From Our Stock
Let This Be a Year of Practical Gifts.

Fine Pearl Handled KNIVES for the ladies.
Pearl and Stag Handle KNIVES for the gentlemen.
JACK KNIVES for the boys.
CHAIN POCKET KNIVES for the children.
MANICURE SETS for ladies.
MANICURE SETS for gentlemen.
MANICURE SCISSORS.
NAIL SCISSORS.
EMBROIDERY SCISSORS.
FANCY SCISSORS.
GILLETTE SAFETY RAZORS.
EVER READY $1.00 SAFETY RAZORS.
STAR SAFETY RAZORS.
CORN KNIVES.
RAZOR SETS.
STROPS.
LIBRARY SCISSORS.
SILVER KNIVES AND FORKS.
SILVER TEA AND TABLE SPOONS.
MEAT FORKS.
SAVORY ROASTERS plain Agate or Agate and Nickeled $1.00 to $3.00.
RIFLES for the boys $1.50.
BREECHLOADERS $4.00 to $40.00.
COFFEE PERCOLATORS.
REVOLVERS (S. & W. and Iver Johnson).
BOYS HANDLED AXES.
TEA AND COFFEE POTS.
MAJESTIC RANGES
MAJESTIC WASHING MACHINES.
BAKING DISHES.
BREAD AND CAKE MIXERS.
FOOD CHOPPERS.
FRENCH CHEF CARVERS, Stag Handle and Ivory.
MEAT AND GAME CARVING SETS—Silver Trimmed.
JOSEPH ROGERS & SONS CARVERS.
CRUMB TRAYS.
CUSPIDORS.
FINE BRASS GOODS.
FAMILY SCALES.
FIRE DOGS, Bronze and Brass.
ASBESTOS SAD IRON, Separate or in Sets.
And hundreds of other useful Articles.

We Never Sleep
N. Jacobi Hardware Co.
de 6-tf.

New Toys and Dolls
On Display This Week at
GAYLORD'S
DEPARTMENT STORE

FIRE WORKS

For
XMAS GOODS
Go to
GAYLORD'S

Baby Carriages at
GAYLORD'S

Wholesale and Retail
DOLLS AND TOYS

GEO. O. GAYLORD
DEPARTMENT STORE
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Mattings, Art Squares and Lace Curtains
In addition to a large Stock of Dry Goods and Notions I have put in Mattings, Art Squares and Lace Curtains, and ask the public to inspect before buying.
J. WEIL, 116 Market St.
Sole Agents for THE NEMO CORSET and MAY MANTON PATTERNS.

Well Pleased With Our Purchases

We are showing the most complete line of Xmas goods in the city.

Diamonds, Watches, Broaches, Chains, Lockets, Bracelets, Pins, Fountain Pens, Fobs, Rings, Shaving Sets, Manicure Sets, Comb and Brush Sets, Silver Services, Silver Novelties, Brass Goods, Fancy China, Vases, Fine Dinner Sets, Etc.

F. A. BISSINGER.
119 Market.
dec 10 tf

MAKE HAY....
and let us Sell you a
HAY PRESS.
to be worked by horse power, making neat small bales. Bagging and Ties, are going to be in good demand and you should buy now.
Full stock Heavy Groceries.
The Worth Co.

STATEMENT

Condition of THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business December 3rd, 1907.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	$1,767,886 59
N. C. State Bonds	55,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	450,000 00
Bank Building	25,000 00
Cash	891,114 25
	$3,189,000,84

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 500,000 00
Surplus and Net Profits	227,211 61
Circulation	425,000 00
Deposits	1,936,789 23
U. S. Bond Account	100,000 00
	$3,189,000,84

DEPOSITS:

December 3rd, 1903, $1,457,386 48
December 3rd, 1905, $1,856,479 01
December 3rd, 1907, $1,936,789 23
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Seasonable Goods
Cocoanuts, Mixed Nuts, Raisins. Apples, Etc. Bagging and Ties.
A Full Line of Heavy Groceries.
Hall & Pearsall, INC.
nov 23 tf

A Gift Worth While

The money spent for trinkets by the average family at Christmas time would buy an Edison Phonograph. The trinkets last about as long as Christmas does. The Edison Phonograph affords enjoyment day after day and year after year. The trinkets please only the individual recipients. The Edison Phonograph offers a continuous round of pleasure for the whole family.

It is the greatest music-maker of the age. It brings into the home circle all of the world's music, rendering with wonderful faithfulness whatever song, instrumental piece, or orchestral selection is desired.

Make this Christmas the merriest of all by having for its chief feature an.

EDISON PHONOGRAPH.

December Records now on sale.

J. W. ROBINSON & CO.
205 PRINCESS STREET.
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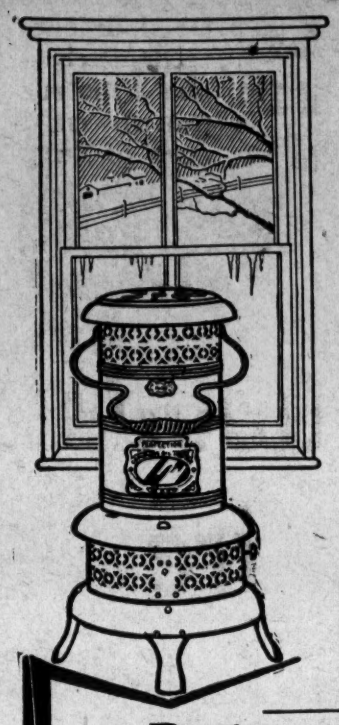


Keeps Frost Off Windows

Don't you dislike to leave the warm living room and undress in a cold bedroom where the frost is thick on the windows? No need to any longer — a

PERFECTION Oil Heater

(Equipped with Smokeless Device)

makes any cold room cheerful and cozy in a trice and keeps it so. It has a smokeless device—that means no smoke—no smell—no bother—just direct intense heat. Finished in japan and nickel. Brass font holds 4 quarts, burns 9 hours. Easily carried about. Every heater warranted.

The **Rayo** Lamp is unequalled for its brilliant, steady light, simple construction and absolute safety. Equipped with the best central draft burner. Made of brass, nickel plated. Every lamp warranted. If your dealer does not handle the Rayo Lamp or Perfection Oil Heater write our nearest agency for descriptive circular.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY
(Incorporated)

What's the Use

of paying more for an article through prejudice, than you can buy for less, that's just as good?

Take Whiskey, for Instance.

We make but one charge—just for whiskey—that's all When you pay more than we ask for our whiskey you are being taxed for something else besides the whiskey.

Now "WHAT'S THE USE" of you paying an excess to anybody for imaginary superiority—when we have the same goods, but are content through immense volumes of sales, to break even on profits—instead of "hikeing up" the price beyond the point of giving you value received.

"CHESTERFIELD" products are "AS GOOD AS THE BEST FOR LESS." That's the reason "CHESTERFIELD" Whiskies are popular.

"CHESTERFIELD NEVER DISAPPOINTS." Full quart $1.00. TRY IT.

Southern Distilling Co.

M. SELIGMAN, MANAGER.
Phone 248 for quick delivery. se 22-tf

Suggestions For Christmas Presents---

Ladies' and Gents' Kid Gloves. Ladies' and Gents' Umbrellas. Handbags.

A nice set of Furs for Ladies and Children. Ruching in fancy boxes.

Napkins, towels, and table linen. Table damask and napkins in sets, and the most attractive assortment of Handkerchiefs ever seen in this city.

C. H. FORE & COMPANY

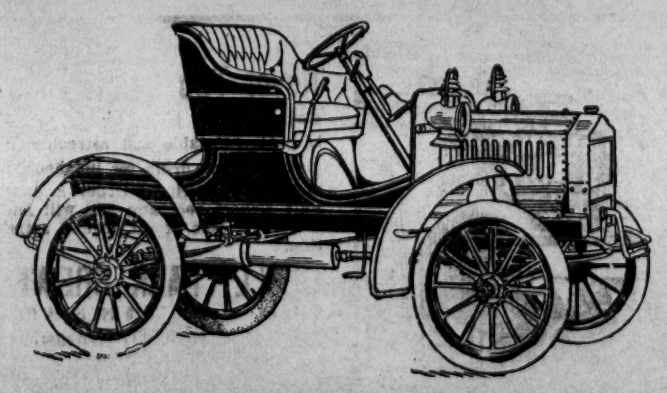
Agents for Jaeger Underwear and Red Fern Corsets.

The Season for Sporting Goods Is On

Call in and let us show you complete line of Remington hammer and hammerless Guns. The celebrated Baker, all grades. Also fine line of Belgium Hammer Guns, Gun Covers, Leggins and a large and assorted stock of Ammunition.

WM. E. SPRINGER & COMPANY

THE PEERLESS MAXWELL



Guaranteed for 12 months and will last ten years.

FRANK HERBST. Sole Agent.

WHISKEY BY JUGFULS.

Seaford, Del., Gets It Wholesale Since Local Option Passed.

(Special to the Baltimore Sun.)

Seaford, Del., Dec. 1.—Whether local option is a farce or not is the question that is puzzling many persons. Since it went into effect, three weeks ago, this town has been "wet" for sure. Hardly a day has passed without rain, and more whisky has been consumed than has ever been known before. People who were satisfied to go and get a dram or two at the hotel now send to Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore and get it by the gallon.

More persons have been seen intoxicated on Sunday than ever before when liquor was sold throughout the county. They drink as if it were the last drink they would ever get. Crowds swarm the steamboat landing before the arrival of the boat from Baltimore waiting for their jugs, and at the Adams Express Company's office some nights the agent has to close the doors and call the waiting crowd in one at a time to get their jugs and boxes, which are shipped from Wilmington and Philadelphia.

It is estimated that nearly 100 gallons of whisky were received here yesterday by boat and express.

When John Seabreeze was returning home with his jug he was assaulted, it is alleged, by Will Matthews and Will Vincent, both colored, and they got the jug. His cries for help brought the police, who chased the negroes through the graveyard where they dropped the jug.

Last night a crowd of negroes paraded the front streets with their jugs under their arms, singing: "I got Mine, Boys," and today the statements were clearly proved.

The people are oyster openers, and send their money away to the cities Saturday morning when they get paid off and the night express brings their jug.

Monday morning all are sober and at work, but the next Saturday it's the same thing over again. *

THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

What This Great British Institution Represents.

At first sight there is not much likeness between the comfortable country gentlemen, retired lawyers, blase men of fashion and liberal subscribers to party funds, who now drop into rather than frequent their magnificent hall, and "the mail covered barons, who proudly to battle led their vassals from Europe to Palestine's plain" in the days of the Henrys and Edwards, but in one point the house has always maintained its character through centuries—it is an aristocracy of birth, but it is still more emphatically one of wealth. The law of entail and primogeniture has kept the landed estates together as far as the law can. Many have passed by heiresses to new names or been sold by spendthrift lords, many holders of ancient titles have lost the wealth that gilded their ancestors' coronets, but new peers are almost always rich, and a title is still an attraction to an heiress. We sometimes hear that the house of lords represents nothing. This is false. It represents property. Tennyson's new Lincolnshire farmer, whose horse's hoofs trotted "proputty, proputty, proputty," is the type of a vast number of Englishmen. Such men are not only content, but proud, to be represented by the house of lords. They know that as long as the lords have their say "proputty" will have a stanch body of organized champions.—William Everett in Atlantic.

NATURAL KITCHENS.

Places Where Cooking Is Done In Boiling Springs.

There are one or two countries—Iceland, for example—where washday is not dreaded, because nature provides the hot water at one's very door in the shape of steaming springs of spouting geysers. But there is only one country where the native women do practically all their cooking by unaided nature, and that is the North island of New Zealand. Here is a wonderland of a thousand square miles so volcanic that a fire may be lighted by inserting a few sticks in the earth, and wherever one makes a hole he speedily has a pool of boiling water, into which a pudding may be lowered incased in a cloth and cooked expeditiously.

Frequently in perfectly cold streams a boiling hot current may be seen and felt running along the edge of the river, and here the Maori women do their own and the white man's washing. Naturally the volcanic region of New Zealand is a dangerous country to wander in without a guide, and many tourists have lost their lives as the result of such carelessness. Maori servants boil coffee and eggs in this way.—New York Tribune.

Escaping the Organ Grinders.

Reside close to a dentist's if you are not fond of street music. Itinerant organ men carefully avoid playing anywhere near the house of a practitioner who can effectually stop or remove all troublesome grinders.—London Punch.

A niggardly rich man does not own his estate; his estate owns him.—Bion.

Her Mourning.

Maud—Why is that lady over the way always in black? Is she mourning for any one? Bess—Yes, a husband. Maud—I didn't know she'd been married. Bess—No, but she's mourning for a husband all the same.

Of Course.

Professor (a little distracted)—I'm glad to see you. How's your wife?

"I regret it, professor, but I'm not married."

"Ah, yes. Then of course your wife's still single."—Fliegende Blatter.

We have the Nobbiest Line of Xmas Slippers In the City.

HEWLETT & PRICE
109 Market St.

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XMAS CHEER

We carry the largest and most complete assortment of Wines and Liquors in the city.

Sold at reasonable prices and quality guaranteed. Ask for price list and mail us your order.

GIESCHEN BROS.
OPPOSITE UNION DEPOT.
Wilmington, N. C.

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Canary Birds and Parrots

Imported and native Canaries, good singers; Mexican and Cuban Parrots, in cages, make acceptable Christmas Presents. For sale by

W. W. KING, Jr.,
At Solomon's Shoe Store.

Removal Notice

This is to notify my friends and patrons and any others who may be interested, that I have moved my office from 16 Princess St., to the Odd Fellows' Building, Room 15. I have houses, building lots, cemetery lots, farms, timber lands, bank stock, mill stock and mercantile stock from Charleston, W. Va., to Titusville, Fla., For sale, a few good renting propositions. Call and see me at Room 15, Odd Fellows' Building.

G. W. SHEPARD
The Real Estate Man.

Christmas Gifts

A Christmas gift to be appreciated, is one that is useful and lasting. We have an especial fine selection at our new location, consisting of:

Rogers Silver Plated Knives and Forks,
Rogers Silver Plated Spoons,
Fine Carving Sets,
Pocket and Table Cutlery, Scissors, Desk Sets, Razors and Razor Strops, Ever Ready and Gillette Safety Razors, Rifles and Shot Guns, and many other articles not mentioned here.

Sloan & Sweeney
Phone 332 18 S. Front St.

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THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY

"The Store That's Always Busy"

The only Dry Goods Store giving away free **Red Southern Trading Stamps**, which you will see by reading the list of merchants published in this advertisement.

Make your money do double duty every morning until Christmas. **We will give away DOUBLE TRADING STAMPS** every day from 8 o'clock to 12 noon. That is for every ten cent purchase you get two trading stamps, the kind that are redeemed at the Premium Store on Market Street—who have just received a handsome line of Premiums, such as Hand Painted China, Cut Glass, Bric a Brac, Furniture, pictures and a thonsand other useful articles. We shall only give one stamp during the remainder of the day.

The Toy Department occupies our entire basement floor—all the latest novelties in toys are shown.

List of merchants giving Red Southern Trading Stamps in our city.

J. T. Burke	Jeweler	27 So. Front
J. H. Borneman	Grocer	8th & Wooster
S. F. Craig	Grocer	605 N. Front
J. H. Taylor	Grocer	131 Market
J. W. Murchison & Co.	Hardware	109 N. Front
A. H. Benson	Grocer	924 So. 3rd
W. Munroe & Co.	Furniture	15-17 So. Front
R. A. Montgomery	Groceries & Meats	8th & Princess
Levi McMillan	Shoes, 2 stores	4th & Princess
C. W. Polvogt Co.	Dry Goods	123 N. Front
Rice & Claud	Furniture	607 N. Fourth
Chas. Richter	Grocer	928 N. Fourth
J. Shrien	Clothing	Front & Princess
E. A. Todd	Grocer	7th & Castle
C. W. Yates & Co.	Books & Stationary	117 Market
J. Laughlin & Co.	Grocer	601 So. Front

Watch our window display from day to day.

Our Carpet Department on second floor is full of useful Christmas presents—Down Quilts, Rugs, Fancy Pillows, Couch Covers, Blankets, Art Squares, Portieres, Lace Curtains, etc., etc.

The C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY
The largest users of Red Southern Trading Stamps in the State.

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Advertising Pays Best in The Morning Star

STATEMENT

Report of the condition of the ATLANTIC TRUST & BANKING CO., Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business Dec. 3, 1907.

Resources.

Loans and Discounts		$529,835 86
Demand Loans		23,690 00
Bonds		9,000 00
Furniture and fixtures		100 00
Due from Banks		98,011 28
Cash Items		284 30
Gold Coin		230 00
Silver Coin		832 96
Nat'l Bank and U. S. Notes		9,728 00
Total		$671,712 40

Liabilities.

Capital Stock		$ 50,000 00
Undivided Profits		29,759 88
Deposits	$561,600 57	
Demand Certificates	27,309 62	588,910 19
Cashier's Checks		2,242 33
Certified Checks		300 00
Total		$671,712 40

I, Milton Calder, Cashier of the Atlantic Trust & Banking Co., do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief

MILTON CALDER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of Dec. 1907.

W. B. DRAKE, JR., Notary Public.

Commission expires Aug. 21, 1908.

Correct Attest:

B. O. STONE,
C. J. MITCHELL,
B. H. J. AHRENS,
Directors.

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Something to "Lean On"

and a visible means of practical support is a good, substantial Bank Account. Once you have a good balance at your banker's, you do not care how things go, because you feel practically independent. And the only way to get a Bank Account is to save, and save, and acquire riches by patient thrift. We can help you do this by taking care of your savings and paying you a good interest thereon. Do not delay, but start saving at once.

Carolina Savings & Trust Co.

In the big white building, Corner Front and Princess streets.
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Coal Lime

W. B. THORPE & CO., Inc.

WOOD WOOD
WOOD

Oak, Black Jack and Pine, Cut for stoves.

"Lightwood Blocks."
"Mid-way" Lumps.

The best Coal for Grates.
Building Material.

Lime, Cement, Wall Plaster, etc.

Wood Cement

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Do Your Christmas Buying NOW!

Before the rush begins.

Many new suggestions in our stock this year, a full variety of many little things of beauty and worth that make most acceptable gifts, at moderate cost. Books, Pictures, Leather Goods, Metal Novelties, Fine Stationery Cabinets, Christmas Cards and Calendars, etc., etc.

Take ample time to make your selections and have them laid aside until you wish them delivered.

Prompt and polite attention to all.

C. W. Yates & Co.
MARKET STREET.

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BURETT H. STEPHENS
Architect
and Consulting Engineer
406 Southern Building.

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The Morning Star.

Thursday, December 19, 1907.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 18, 1907.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., Wednesday, December 18:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 43 degrees; 8 P. M., 46 degrees; maximum 51 degrees; minimum 40 degrees; mean 46 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .04; rainfall for the month, 1.73.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. Tuesday 32 feet 4 inches.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair and colder Thursday, Friday fair, fresh west to northwest winds.

Port Calendar—Dec. 19.

Sun Rises .. ..7:06 A. M.
Sun Sets .. ..4:48 P. M.
Day's Length .....9 hrs. 44 min.
High water at Southport 7:38 A. M.
High water at Wilmington 10:08 A. M.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. J. K. Pierce, of Clarkton, was in the city yesterday on a business trip.

—Mr. Frank Gough, of Lumberton, was in the city yesterday on a business trip.

—Mr. D. V. Richardson was among the business visitors to the city yesterday, stopping at The Orton.

—Mr. J. W. Norwood, who has been here looking over the banking situation, left yesterday afternoon for his home at Greenville, S. C.

—George H. Currie, Esq., of Clarkton, was in the city yesterday on a business trip and was pleasantly greeted by many friends in Wilmington.

—Messrs. John F. McNair, of Laurinburg, and A. J. McKinnon, of Maxton, were among yesterday's arrivals and they are guests at The Orton.

—Mr. E. M. Wells, of Darlington; W. C. Via, of Wadesboro, and Alex Newton, of Wallace, were among the guests at The Orton yesterday.

—Mr. L. Y. Styne has returned from a pleasant trip to Roanoke, Va., where he visited friends and relatives. He spent some time hunting in Virginia and reports exceedingly fine sport.

—Rev. N. M. Watson and family left yesterday for their new home at Haw River, N. C., which charge the Rev. Mr. Watson will serve at least for the ensuing year by conference appointment. They carry with them to their new home the very best wishes of many friends.

—Mr. John O. Ellington, cashier of the Fourth National Bank of Fayetteville, spent yesterday in the city on business. He says that the upper Cape Fear metropolis continues to grow and expand in spite of financial depression elsewhere in the country and the best advice he has to hand out is "Come to Fayetteville."

—Messrs. H. H. Raymond and H. E. Maynard, officials of the Clyde Line who have been on an inspection of the company's interests in Charleston, spent a few hours in Wilmington Tuesday afternoon, guests of Mr. H. G. Smallbones, superintendent of the agency at Wilmington. During the afternoon they were guests of President Emerson, of the Atlantic Coast Line, for an automobile trip to Wrightsville Sound and left on the evening train for Norfolk to inspect the Clyde terminals in that city.

CHRISTMAS WAR CRY

Salvation Army Holiday Number is Most Attractive Yet Issued.

The Christmas number of the War Cry, the official organ of the Salvation Army in the United States, has been received and it is a decidedly attractive number. The number is beautifully printed in colors and contains many pretty and inspiring Christmas stories by well known authors besides the usual large amount of news and views from the field. "The World for God!" is an especially notable article in the paper from the pen of the commander, Miss Booth, while there is an autograph Christmas sentiment written by the venerable General William Booth. Despite his years the handwriting is clear and distinct and the sentiment expressed shows that he is in full possession of his great mental faculties and that his heart is still full of love for the whole people of this world. The number as a whole is a very creditable one and is worth many times double the price at which it is sold, five cents. Copies may be had from the local post in Wilmington.

NO PILOTAGE DECISION

Supreme Court Adjourns Without Handing Down an Opinion.

There was some disappointment here yesterday when it became known that the Supreme Court had adjourned for the term at Raleigh without handing down an opinion in the suit to test the constitutionality of the Wilmington pilotage act. The case with several others goes over to the Spring term which will not convene before the first Monday in February. The delay in handing down the decision of the court is construed to mean that the court is finding difficulty in establishing the constitutionality of the law passed by the last Legislature and this is taken to be rather against the pilots, though they are yet hopeful. It was hoped that the State Supreme Court would hand down an early opinion in the case so that, if necessary, it could be taken on up to the Supreme Court of the United States for final determination as early as possible.

Here's Good Advice.

O. S. Woolever, one of the best known merchants of Le Raysville, N. Y., says: "If you are every troubled with piles, apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It cured me of them for good 20 years ago." Cures every sore, wound, burn or abrasion. 25c. at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

THE COMING OF THE KING.

Sacred Cantata Admirably Rendered by Choir of St. James.

For one other than a person well versed in music to essay a criticism at any length of "The Coming of the King," the sacred cantata sung last evening by the choir of St. James in the church auditorium, would be a sheer absurdity. The more than three hundred and fifty from among the most cultured people of the city who heard the music were seemingly delighted with the rendition of the beautiful story and all agreed that it was both in theme and music far above the annual offering of the choir last season when "The Manger Throne" was sung.

The cantata was sung under the direction of Mr. E. H. Munson, organist of St. James, and the music in its entirety was declared par excellence. This was true both of the chorus singing and the solo work, which was difficult and handled splendidly. Mr. H. R. Bate, who has a superb baritone voice, admirably rendered the part of Herod and the male members of the chorus supported him most excellently. Mrs. Frank Holden in the opening solo, "The Prophesy" captured the hearts of all at the outset while each and every other member of the choir well sustained the high standard set by her in this number. The choir is pronounced by quite everyone the best that Saint James has ever had.

"The Coming of the King" is by Dudley Buck, that foremost of American composers, and the sacred story of the coming of the Prince of Peace is beautifully told in the music which reaches the grand climax in "Adestes Fideles" and the congregation sweeps in on the chorus with a sublimity that is beautiful. It is a sweet story, sweetly told and nothing could be more appropriate or glorious at this yuletide season.

During the progress of the singing of the cantata last evening, Rev. Mr. Hogue, rector of the parish, delivered a very brief address that was well received by the large and delighted audience.

JUDGE BIGGS' FIRST YEAR

Pleasant Reference to His Work by Durham Correspondent.

The following correspondence in yesterday's Charlotte Observer will be read with much interest by the many friends of Judge J. Crawford Biggs, who has just completed the holding of courts in the Wilmington district:

"Durham, Dec. 17.—Judge J. Crawford Biggs, of the Superior Court bench, is at home to spend the holidays with homefolks. He will resume his court work with a court in Raleigh the first of the new year. Judge Biggs is now closing his first year's work and he was on the bench for forty-six weeks of the year—pretty fine record for his first year on the bench. He has not been off a single court on account of sickness and the only time to be deducted from the forty-six weeks are a few days on several occasions when the courts finished work before the legal time had expired. The judge looks to be in the very best of shape physically. There are few men in Durham who are more popular than is Judge Biggs."

JOHNSTON-OWENS

Popular Young People Plight Their Troth in This City.

A pretty home wedding yesterday evening at 6 o'clock, united in marriage Miss Lillian Virginia Johnston, of Baltimore, and Mr. Baker Levy Owens, of Norfolk, Va., which was celebrated at the home of the groom's sister, Mrs. W. E. Phelps, in this city, the Rev. C. F. Whitlock, pastor of Brooklyn Baptist Church, officiating. According to the wishes of both bride and groom, the wedding was a very quiet one, only the members of the immediate family being present to witness the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Owens left on the 7 o'clock train for an extended trip North and on their return, will be at home to their friends in this city at 407 Nun street. Both the young people have the best wishes of many friends in their happy union for life. The groom is a son of Mrs. Annie R. Owens, of this city, but has for some time been a resident of Norfolk.

SALVATION ARMY TREE.

Thursday Night After Christmas Will be Occasion of Big Affair.

The Thursday night following Christmas has been decided upon by the Salvation Army post as the date for their annual Christmas tree as a benefit for the poor of the community. The tree will be placed in the hall of the Army on North Front street and on the night in question there will be hundreds of gifts for the little folks who will assemble in pleasant anticipation of the event. The responses from the people of Wilmington for this benefit have been quite general but there is yet room for contributions that could be used quite effectively in spreading happiness upon this glorious yuletide season. In addition to the tree Adjutant and Mrs. Yates will distribute many baskets of substantials and delicacies to the less fortunate of the city upon the Christmas holiday.

Mrs. North to Entertain Children.

There is interest in the announcement that Mrs. Curtiss Arnall-North will entertain for the children's hour at the Wilmington Public Library at the parish house of Saint James on the Friday afternoon, following Christmas, December 27th. There will be no story hour at the library this week, but all the young people are cordially invited to attend the hour on Friday of next week, when the reading will be "Bird's Christmas Carol." All children will be welcome.

Alex B. Butt, Cashier of the People's Bank of Portsmouth, Va., which suspended November 1st, and subsequently announced an alleged falsification of books and misappropriation of funds by the cashier, was arrested yesterday upon a warrant charging falsification in one account to the extent of $24,000. The accused was admitted to bail in the sum of $10,000.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Palace Market—Best on Market.
Oppenheimer Institute — Liquor Cure.

Business Local.

For Sale Cheap—Square Piano.

ARRESTED ON SUSPICION.

Officer Frank George May Have Negro Wanted at Wrightville.

Officer Frank George last night at about 11 o'clock, at Fifth and Nixon streets arrested a negro named Henry Dunham, believed to be "Buck" Dunham, who is wanted at Whiteville, N. C., for the murder of another negro in Columbus county some time ago. Henry Dunham says he has been at work in Wilmington all last Summer and Fall and is not the man wanted as the murder committed in Columbus was only a week or two ago. The negro, however, is being held at the police station awaiting developments. He answers pretty well the description offered by the Whiteville authorities and Officer George had him locked up as a suspicious character.

TRUCE IS DECLARED.

Fight for Control of Illinois Central Was Postponed.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Chicago, Dec. 18.—A truce for 24 hours was declared today in the fight for control of the Ilinois Central railroad company.

Both the meeting of stockholders and the injunction suit filed against the Harriman forces by Stuyvesant Fish were postponed until tomorrow and the attorneys representing the varied interests involved spent the greater part of today and tonight in a conference seeking to find a basis of agreement for further proceedings. Up to a late hour tonight no intimation had been given that such an agreement had been reached.

William Nelson Cromwell, chief counsel for E. H. Hariman, took command of the legal forces for that side of the case. The Harriman lawyers asserted that the stockholders meeting would be postponed until Judge Farlon Q. Ball had rendered a final decision in the injunction suit.

PAYMASTER CURRY KILLED

Was Thrown From an Automobile Going to Railroad Station.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Atlanta, Ga. Dec. 18.—Major Manly B. Curry, U. S. A., paymaster of the Department of the Gulf, was killed tonight by being thrown from an automobile while on his way to terminal station to catch a train for Macon.

Major Curry had been visiting the home of Dr. William Carnes and was being driven to the station by the doctor. When the machine reached the end of the Washington street viaduct, Dr. Carnes failed to turn in time to prevent a collision with the railing, guarding an under pass entrance. The shock threw Major Curry to the street. He was quickly moved to a hospital, but died an hour later from concussion of the brain. Dr. Carnes escaped injury.

Major Curry was a son-in-law of United States Senator Bacon, and a well known Georgian.

TWO YEARS FOR PERJURY.

William R. Coyne Told Court He could Not Remember.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

St. Louis. Dec. 18.—Charged with perjury because he said he could not remember when questioned by the grand jury concerning alleged boodling in the House of Delegates, William R. Coyne, once a member of Tammany Hall and prominent in local politics, was yesterday convicted by a jury and sentenced to two years in prison.

Coyne stated that he forgot, when asked by the grand jury to testify concerning an alleged offer of $1,000 made by him to secure legislation, and in the trial ending tonight, the charge of perjury was sustained after Judge Williams ruled out testimony offered by the defense to the effect that Coyne injured his head by a fall down a stairway in New York in 1906, and that his memory had since been impaired.

ALL QUIET AT GOLDFIELD.

Miners Are Returning to Work and General Funston Leaves Today.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Goldfield, Nev. Dec. 18.—The break in the transmission wires of the Nevada Power Company was discovered today in the White Mountains and was repaired.

The break was caused by a snowslide which carried away several poles. The alarm which was felt when the power wires were broken has been dispelled and the camp is going along as usual.

Three mines were in operation today, together with the Consolidated Company's mill and the Nevada Gold field reduction works.

General Funston will leave Goldfield tomorrow for San Francisco. Governor Sparks will also leave, going to his ranch near Carson City.

About $2,000 worth of high grade ore was recovered today in a raid by Constable Inmann and his deputies in a cabin occupied by a miner named Roth.

LIST OF DEAD COMPLETE.

In All Fifty-Seven Were Killed in Alabama's Mine Explosion.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 18.—Thirteen bodies have been taken from the slope of the ill-fated mine today and one remains in the slope, unrecovered bringing the total death list from Monday's explosion up to fifty-seven.

An official inspection will be made of the mine tomorrow to determine the cause and place the responsibility for the explosion. A number of mules killed by the explosion have not been removed and the foul odors from the decaying bodies adds to the difficulties of the recovery work. While there is a great deal of debris in the mine it is thought work can be resumed in the next few days.

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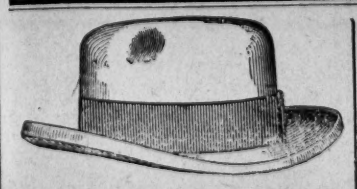

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RAILROAD RATE LAW

U. S. Supreme Court is Now Hearing the Case of the Southern Railway and Time For Argument Has Been Extended.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 18.—The Supreme Court of the United States today began the hearing of arguments in the case of Sheriff Hunter, of Buncombe county, North Carolina, against Jas. H. Wood, of the Southern Railway, involving the railroad rate law of the State of North Carolina.

The case is regarded as of very great importance as it is expected to form an important precedent as well as to etstablish the constitutionality of the North Carolina law.

On this account the Court agreed to extend for two hours the time for the presentation of the case, making six hours in all and agreed that three attorneys should be heard on each side.

Under this arrangement E. J. Justice, Judge J. H. Merriman and Former Governor C. B. Aycock appeared for Hunter and Alexander Pope Humphrey, Walter D. Hines and Alfred P. Thom for Wood.

The argument will not be concluded before late tomorrow.

Mr. Justice made the opening speech.

SEVEN HUNDRED KILLED.

In the Coal Mines of This Country Last Year.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 18.—The coal mines of the United States are killing three times as many men per 1,000 employed as those of most European countries.

In the last seventeen years 23,840 men have given up their lives in the mines of this country. As many violent death have occurred in the mines during the last six years as during the preceeding eleven years. The number of fatal deaths each year is now double that of the year 1905. These terible facts have been gleaned by government experts under orders from Secretary Garfield of the Interior department.

The conclusions of the experts are found in a bulletin issued today on "coal mine accidents, their causes and preventions.

The statement in the bulletin that an increase in the number and in the seriousness of mine explosions may be expected to continue has already proven fateful, for since the words were written, the country has been startled with the news of three mine explosions costing nearly 500 lives. The first explosion occurred in Pennsylvania, in the early part of December and cost thirty-two lives. Then followed the Monongah mine disaster in West Virginia, with a loss of nearly 400 lives and the explosion at Alabama the other day with sixty-one lives lost.

Joseph H. Holmes, chief of the technologic branch, in summing up the situation says: "The figures given in this report indicate that during the year 1906 nearly 700 men were killed or injured in the coal mines of this country, and that the number of these accidents caused directly or indirectly by mine explosions has been steadily increasing. It is also indicated that this increase has been due in part to the lack of proper and enforceable mine regulations; in part to the lack of reliable information concerning the explosives used in mining, and the conditions under which they can be used safely in the presence of the gas and dust encountered in the mines; and in part to the fact that in the development of coal mining not only is the number of miners increasing but many areas from which coal is being taken are either deeper or farther from the entrance where good ventilation is more difficult and the dangerous accumulations of explosive gas more frequent.

"The bulletin shows that in all European coal producing countries, the output of coal has increased greatly during the last ten years, but the number of death per 1,000 miners instead of increasing as in this country, has undergone a marked decrease.

This decrease has been due, the bulletin says, to the effect of mining legislation in those countries for the safeguarding and protection of the lives of the workmen, and has been made possible by government action in establishing testing stations for the study of problems relative to safety in mining.

MR. TAFT TALKS BY WIRELESS

His Ship is Over Due But Will Reach New York Friday.

On Board Steamer President Grant, By Wireless, via Halifax, N. S., Dec. 18.—Secretary of War Taft who is is finishing the last stage of his journey around the world, on the President Grant will probably reach New York about noon next Friday.

In commenting today on the departure of the fleet for the Pacific, the Secretary said he viewed the undertaking with real satisfaction. He regards the cruise as necessary practice, and valuable as placing the men and ships under conditions approximating a war footing.

"By this cruise they will gain experience which would not be obtainable in any other way," said he. "It would be useless to spend millions of dollars in building up a navy and then without opportunities for practice."

Mr. Taft declared that the cruise has no international significance.

He declined to discuss the American political situation in any way saying that he has no personal knowledge of present political conditions in the United States.

The New York cotton exchange will be closed December 25 and 26 and January 1.

Fireworks at Rehder's, Fourth Street Bridge, Candycapps and Market Street store under Bonitz Hotel. **

POWERS TRIAL DRAGS ON

Many More General Denials are Made by the Witnesses.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Georgetown, Ky., Dec. 18.—Caleb Powers, formerly Secretary of State, was again on the stand today in his own defense against the charge of complicity in the murder of Senator William Goebel.

Only a small crowd was in the court room. The most important fact brought out was Powers' emphatic denial of a reported conversation with Frank Cecil, in which it was alleged that the killing of Goebel was freely discussed and Powers had said to Cecil:

"If you will find the man to kill Goebel, I will find a man who will furnish the money."

Powers admitted writing a letter to Miss Susie Sniffer, his sweetheart at Williamsburg, Ky., three days before Goebel was shot saying that he (Powers) was mainly instrumental in bringing the Mountain Army to Frankfort and would rather fight than be robbed.

Witness denied that he endeavored to induce Miss Sniffer to leave the State to keep from testifying against him but admitted giving her money for expenses and necessities.

The cross examination of Powers was concluded this forenoon.

Former United States Senator William J. DeBoe took the witness stand and emphatically denied an alleged conversation with Henry Youtsey near Governor Taylor's mansion on the night of January 25, 1900.

Youtsey had stated on direct examination that he told DeBoe of the plan to kill Goebel. DeBoe stated he was not at the Executive Mansion that night and had no such conversation with Youtsey.

For the first time since Senator William Goebel was shot on January 30, 1900, the rifle said to be the implement used by the assassin, was placed in evidence today, when Grant L. Roberts, owner of the rifle took the stand.

When the gun was brought into court it was found to have been carefully secured by screws in a wooden box. The box was wrapped in brown paper and the package securely tied. The gun, rusty and worn from nonuse and lack of care, was exhibited. The loaded cartridges remaining in its magazine after the one shot that killed Goebel had been fired, had been removed by Roberts, before packing it and these two were filed as exhibits in the case.

Powers had the rifle brought to court. Grant Roberts testified that he felt certain that this was the long missing rifle, that he had bought it of Clarence Fugazzi of Frankfort, but that he would not swear to the identity of the weapon. Developments in regard to this new piece of evidence are expected tomorrow as court adjourned with Roberts on the stand. Before closing for the day, Judge Morris, at the request of the defense, issued an order for Henry Youtsey to be brought from the pentitentiary tomorrow.

S. Shepherd, chief deputy United States Marshal at Covington, who was in the State Auditor's office in Frankfort in 1900 testified that on the Friday or Saturday before Goebel was shot he had seen Youtsey enter the office with a gun apparently much excited. He said that Youtsey exclaimed, "Get your guns, something is going to happen; Caleb Powers is a brave man, but if they let me have my way about it, I will soon settle the matter. I have a good position at stake."

Shepherd added: "I was at my desk when Goebel was shot. I dropped my work and went to the West door of the executive building where I saw Henry Youtsey coming from the East door along the hall with a pistol in his hand."

By an order issued yesterday from the War Department, the regulations requiring soldiers to stand at salute while the "Star Spangled Banner" is being played on formal occasions are modified so as to permit the men to stand erect and to salute only at the last note of the music.

Fireworks at Rehder's, Fourth Street Bridge, Candycapps and Market Street store under Bonitz Hotel. **

FACTS, NOT FICTION.

Experiences of Wilmington Citizens Are Easily Proven to Be Facts.

The most superficial investigation will prove that the following statement from a resident of Wilmington is true. Read it and compare evidence from Wilmington people with testimony of strangers living so far away you cannot investigate the facts of the case. Many more citizens of Wilmington will endorse our claims.

C. S. Hollen, printed on the "Morning Messenger," formerly residing at 419 Grace street, Wilmington, N. C., says: "I had used several remedies to get relief from itching piles but without any good results. Learning of Doan's Ointment I obtained it at Bellamy's Drug store. It acted immediately and proved so effective that I am entirely cured of the affliction. I found it to be an excellent remedy."

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WARM WIRELETS.

William Moody, living about three miles from Marion, Va., yesterday afternoon shot and instantly killed his wife and then committed suicide. The weapon used was a double barrelled shot gun and the tragedy was enacted at the Moody home.

The degrees in Free Masonry were conferred on Booker T. Washington, President of Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, by William Lloyd Marshall, Grand Master of Prince Hall, Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Massachusetts last night in a hall of colored Masons at Boston.

At Argyle, Fla., last night G. A. Wood kas shot and killed by his friend, Alexander Anderson. It is said they had been drinking and while talking together, Anderson drew a revolver and shot Wood. Anderson was placed under arrest. This morning he said that he knew nothing of the shooting.

Telegraphic reports to wreckers in Norfolk from Cape Lookout state that the four masted schooner, Welt, has been taken in tow, having been found abandoned at sea. No details of the condition of the Welt's cargo was given. The schooner sailed from Carteret, N. J., December 5th for Savannah, Ga.

The Smelter City Bank of Durango, Col., a State institution, capital $30,000, failed to open Tuesday morning. No statement of its assets or liabilities has been given out but the deposits are believed not to exceed $100,000 Charles McConnell, President of the bank said that all liabilities would be paid in full.

W. M. Stuckey, a well known planter was found dead near West Point, Ga., with his throat cut. His body lay on a pile of cottonseed in a storehouse in the Ed Booker plantation which Mr. Stuckey had recently leased. An investigation is being conducted to discover whether Stuckey died as the result of violence or suicide.

An attempt was made last night to wreck the electric cars of the Passenger and Power Company at Richmond, Va., by fastening a heavy wire cable across the Free Bridge which connects Richmond and Manchester. A car ran into the cable but no one was injured. A slow rate of speed was maintained on account of the fog and this fact alone saved many lives.

Although little fear was felt concerning the threatened attack of an organized band of "Night Riders," at Lexington, Ky., fully 100 men are on guard in warehouses and several wagons loaded with tobacco every night. The guards were formed by the owners of the tobacco. There have been fully one million pounds sold so far this week, notwithstanding the threats of trouble.

Lieutenant General Stoessel was accused yesterday of having shown the white feather under fire on two different occasions. This accusation was made by Colonel Guerko, who was on the stand as a witness before the court martial at St. Petersburg, which is trying the general for his alleged failure in the proper defense of Port Arthur.

The three miners who have been imprisoned for ten days in the Alpine mine at Ely, Nev., seemed fated to remain there for at least several days more. The ground is moving and this has necessitated a stoppage of the work of clearing the shaft. They have been supplied with food through a tube, but now there is danger of their source of supply being cut off.

Amiral George Dewey gave a dinner last night at his home on K street in Washington in celebration of the seventieth anniversary of his birth. The anniversary does not occur until the 26th instant but the celebration was advanced in order that the President might be present. The dinner was informal in character, there being no set speeches, but many of the Admiral's guests took advantage of the opportunity, in graceful fashion to congratulate him.

A brief but important contribution to current political comment was made last evening by Frank H. Hitchcock, First Assistant Postmaster General. In breaking the silence he has maintained for several weeks respecting statements concerning him that have been made from time to time. Mr. Hitchcock says the statement of Secretary Cortelyou, published yesterday disposes of the charge that he ever has been disloyal in any manner to President Roosevelt. He declares that any such charge is absolutely false and that the President knows it to be, having told him so.

Frank Wise Miller, a dental student at the University of Pennsylvania, whose home was in Kansas City, Mo., committed suicide in his room at the dormitories of the institution in Philadelphia yesterday by hanging. Miller, who was 22 years old, according to his fellow students, was undoubtedly a victim of suicidal mania. About the time of the mid-year examinations, it is said he attempted to end his life by inhaling chloroform. When John Noyes, who occupied an adjoining room went into the despondent youth's apartments he found he had hanged himself with a curtain cord. The suicide had apparently stood on a chair, aranged a noose around his neck and then kicked the chair from under him.

A dispatch received from Vladivostock declares the Jews have been ordered to depart within four days. Jewish property holders, however, are given 18 days in which to liquidate. Beyond this dispatch nothing is known regarding the renewed expulsion of the Jews and the report has been skeptically received. The commandant of Vladivostok under martial law has full power to issue such an order without consulting the central authorities. He might base such action on the prominent part played by Jews in the recent mutiny at that place which was organized by a Jewess. Another prominent Jewish organizer named Verafigner was killed at Vladivostok in a mutiny in 1906.

Colonel George W. Goethals, Engineer-in-chief of the Panama Canal and Joseph C. Blackburn, a member of the Isthmian Canal Commission, arrived in Washington yesterday and at once called upon the President and Acting Secretary of War Oliver. These calls were short and afforded no opportunity to discuss at length any of the problems connected with the construction of the canal; though briefly they reported that everything was progressing satisfactorily on the isthmus. Former Senator Blackburn was loud in praise of the climate conditions there. He declared that he had not seen eight mosquitoes in as many months; that the temperature had not been excessive; and that the Isthmus of Panama was almost an ideal place to live. "The engineers of the Panama canal commission are perfectly willing that the locks should be widened to any extent that the navy thinks necessary," he said.

The Pinkerton detective agency in New York confirms a report that William F. Walker, the absconding treasurere of the New Britain (Conn.) Savings Bank, has been captured at Ensenada, lower California. Positive identification has been made and Walker has consented to return to Connecticut without resort to extradition proceedings.

Walker was arrested at a mining camp 150 miles from Ensenada, Lower California, which is Mexican territory, yesterday.

TOBACCO TRUST HEARING

Presidents of Two Big Concerns Are On Witness Stand.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 18.—That one jobbing firm affiliated with the American Tobacco Company does a business of $13,000,000 a year in New York City and Yonkers, was brought out today in the hearing of the Government's action against the company before United States Commissioner Shields. Adolph B. Bendim, President of the Metropolitan Tobacco Company testified today.

Over seventy-five per cent. of the jobbing business of New York city was controlled by the Metropolitan, Mr. Bendim said.

M. W. Reed, President of the Amsterdam Supply Company, organized to purchase supplies for the American Tobacco Company, and subsidiaries said the supply company recently earned enough to declare a stock dividend of snxty per cent.

The stock was owned chiefly by the corporations purchasing through the supply company he added.

An adjournment was taken until the first week in January.

Badly Mixed Up.

Abraham Brown, of Winterton, N. Y., had a very remarkable experience; he says; 'Doctors got badly mixed up over me; one said heart disease; two called it kidney trouble; the fourth, blood poison, and the fifth stomach and liver trouble; but none of them helped me; so my wife advised trying Electric Bitters, which are restoring me to perfect health. One bottle did me more good than all the five doctors prescribed." Guaranteed to cure blood poison, weakness anl all stomach, liver and kidney complaints, by R. R. Bellamy, druggist, 50c.

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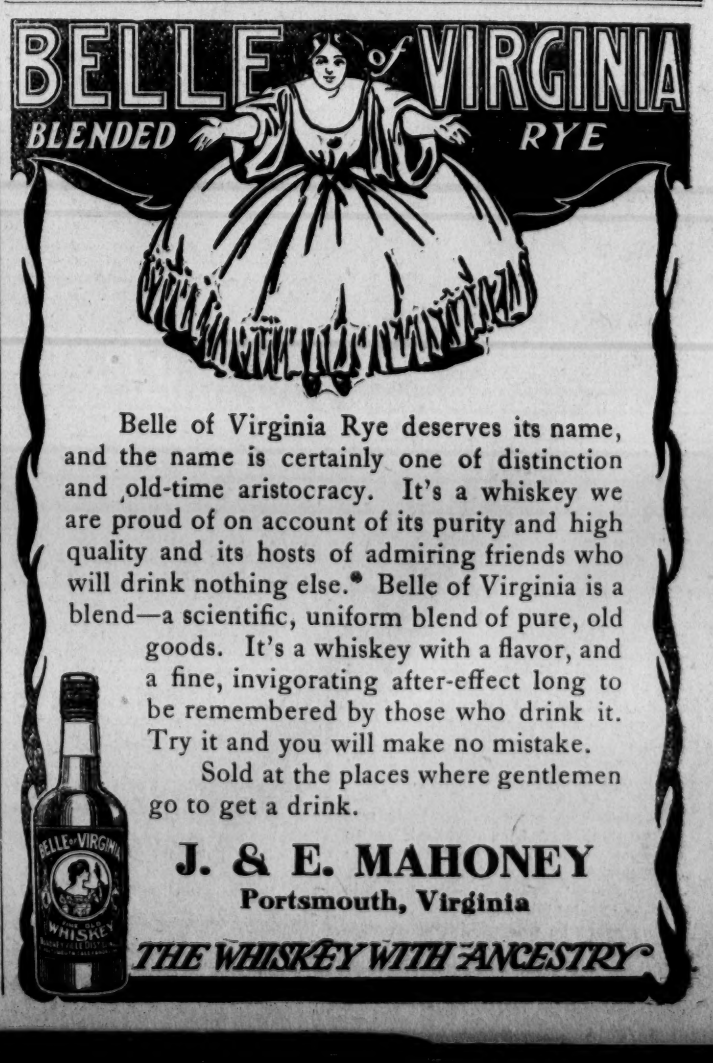

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THE WHISKEY WITH ANCESTRY

SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—Mount Airy, Dec. 18.—The factory of the Mount Airy Furniture Company closed down Saturday evening for the purpose of taking stock. It will start up again after the Christmas holidays.

—Newbern Sun: The government light house tender Jessamine, which has been in this port coaling up, left yesterday morning on her inspection tour through North Carolina, Virginia and part of Maryland.

—Lenoir, Dec. 18.—This town had a novel sight yesterday, when some parties from Boone drove in a large flock of turkeys and rounded them up in the center of town and began selling them. There have been more cattle driven through from the mountains going South this year than for many years previous.

—Fayetteville, Dec. 17.—There seems to be no clue to the robbery of W. C. Goodwin's store, on Person street, on Sunday night when several hundred dollars worth of clothing, shoes, notions, etc., were taken. Robbers entered the store from the roof of a shed through a second story window.

—News and Observer: Effective January 1st, all employes of the Southern Railway, whose duties require a recognition of signals will be required to undergo an examination before one of the company's occulists as to sight, hearing and color perception. The order was made from the Washington offices and the action was taken with a view to protecting the public against wrecks.

—Winston-Salem, Dec. 17.—Three negro lads, whose ages range from 8 to 10 years, are in the lock-up here on the charge of attempting to wreck a Norfolk & Western passenger train just north of this city, by placing an angle bar on the track. Railroad men say a serious wreck was only averted by the fact that the bar was not placed on a curve in the track.

—Salisbury, Dec. 17.—Little Tommie Hellig, who accidentally shot himself last week, died last night at the Whitehead-Stokes Sanatorium after every effort to save him. The little fellow's fight for life with a bullet in his brain was remarkable. Playing with a rifle last week, it dropped, firing a bullet into his brain. Instant death seemed natural, but he rallied under surgical treatment and hope appeared reasonable until yesterday.

—Salisbury, Dec. 17.—Game Warden J. M. Monroe has done a good piece of sleuth work in which a mercantile firm of Stanly county suffers slightly. Hearing several days ago that birds were being shipped from the State he watched the trains on the Yadkin road and Saturday night caught an egg crate in the middle of which were three dozen birds under a pile of twenty-one dozen eggs. He chose to issue papers in Stanly and, though no arrests have been made, he will bag his game tomorrow.

—Asheville, Dec. 17.—The first annual show of the Asheville Poultry and Pet Stock Association opened this afternoon with a large attendance. There is a great variety of fowls entered, while practically all the high bred dogs and cats in town are competing for prizes. The show has amounted to much interest, especially among the women, who have entered their dogs in a liberal manner. More than five hundred birds are on exhibition, many of the exhibits coming from out of town places.

—Greensboro Record: The prescription "exhibit" for November shows a total of 782 by the various physicians of Greensboro. The number starts in with 80 by one doctor and runs down to one by quite a number of others. A list of the names of the physicians and the number written by them has been kindly furnished the Record, but we must be excused from printing it. Having once tasted a suit for libel we respectfully decline: there might possibly be a mistake about the names and the number written. "A burnt child dreads the fire." Excuse us please.

—Asheville, Dec. 17.—It is learned here that a boy named Gregg was shot and perhaps fatally injured at Hot Springs Saturday afternoon by his brother. It is said that the shooting was accidental, and as a result of an "unloaded" pistol. The brother, however, is held under $500 bond. The boys, it seems, were scuffling—in fun—over some keys, when the elder jerked from its place on the wall a pistol that was supposed to be unloaded, and playfully, it is alleged pointed it at his brother and pulled the trigger. There was a report and the younger brother fell with a bullet in his side. The ball entered the left side and, ranging slightly upward, lodged near the right side, penetrating the intestines. The lad is seriously, if not fatally, hurt.

—Durham, Dec. 18.—The Southern Railway company, through the special officers employed, is seeing to it that the law in regard to drunkenness on the trains and drinking whiskey on the train and about the stations is enforced. Yesterday morning there was a case in the police court where Officer J. A. Woodall, detective for the Southern road on this division, had a man arrested for taking a drink of whiskey on a passenger train. The mayor very promptly imposed a fine of $10 and costs against the defendant, C. C. Holt. Mr. Woodall caught the man in the act of taking a drink of whiskey on a passenger train and he at once had him arrested by an officer who was at the union passenger station. The orders of the company, so it is learned, are that this whiskey drinking business on the trains must be stopped.

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SOUTHERN NATIONAL BANK

Statement of condition December 3rd, 1907. Condensed from Report to United States Government.

Resources:

Loans and Discounts		$871,732 20
Overdrafts		1,464 51
U. S. Bonds and Premiums		259,296 88
Furniture and Fixtures		6,530 49
Cash:		
Due from Banks	$453,418 16	
In our Vault	95,667 74	549,085 90
		$1,688,109 98

Liabilities:

Capital		$200,000 00
Surplus		100,000 00
*Undivided Profits, Net		25,644 46
Circulation		200,000 00
Bills Payable and Re-discounts		105,000 00
Deposits:		
Banks	$690,446 16	
Individuals	317,019 36	
U. S. Government	50,0000 00	1,057,465 52
		$1,688,109 98

*After Dividends of $12,000.00 paid.

C. N. EVANS, Cashier.

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STATEMENT

of THE WILMINGTON SAVINGS AND TRUST COMPANY December 3rd, 1907.

(Condensed from Report to North Carolina Corporation Commission).

ASSETS.

Loans and Discounts		$1,179,520 30
First Mortgage Bonds		2,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures		1 00
Real Estate		55,000 00
Cash in our vault	$103,218 53	
Cash in other banks	144,102 52	247,321 05
		$1,483,842 35

LIABILITIES.

Capital		$ 25,000 00
Undivided Profits, less expenses and taxes		142,743 95
Deposits		1,316,098 40
		$1,483,842 35

State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover.

I, C. E. Taylor, Jr., Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. E. TAYLOR, JR. Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 7th day of December, A. D., 1907.

CHAS. S. GRAINGER, Notary Public.

Correct-Attest:

J. V. GRAINGER,
J. W. YATES,
N. B. RANKIN,
Directors.

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Report of the conditions of

THE PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK

Wilmington, N. C.

At the close of business December 3rd, 1907.

Resources:

Loans and Discounts		$609,417 64
All other stocks, bonds and Mortgages		10,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures		2,246 05
Cash on Hand and in Banks		110,136 21
Total		$731,799 90

Liabilities:

Capital Stock		$ 30,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		50,792 99
Dividends Unpaid		7.50
Deposits subject to check	$511,257 46	
Demand Certificates of Deposits	139,741 95	650,999 41
Total		$731,799 90

I, F. W. Dick, Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. W. DICK, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 5th day of December, 1907.

C. S. GRAINGER, Notary Public.

Correst Attest,

M. W. DIVINE,
J. A. SPRINGER,
H. C. McQUEEN,
Directors.

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SOUTHERN SECURITIES

Cotton Mill Stocks a Specialty

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Trains Arrive at Wilmington as Follows

No 44 at 1:25 A. M. from Charlotte, Hamlet and local Stations, connecting at Hamlet with No. 41 from Norfolk and Raleigh.

No. 40 arrives 2:35 P. M. from Charlotte, connecting at Hamlet with No. 66 from Jacksonville, No. 38 from Birmingham and Atlanta, No. 33 from Norfolk and Raleigh and No. 81 from New York and Richmond.

Trains Leave Wilmington as Follows

	No. 45	No. 39
Lv. Wilm't'n	4:00 A. M.	4:00 P. M.
Ar Lumb't'n	6:35 A. M.	6:56 P. M.
Ar Maxton	7:25 A. M.	7:55 P. M.
Ar. Hamlet	3:25 A. M.	8:50 P. M.
Lv. Hamlet	8:45 A. M.	9:15 P. M.
Ar. Monroe	10:50 A. M.	11:15 P. M.
Ar. Ch'lotte	11:45 A. M.	12:15 A. M.

No. 45 connects at Hamlet with No. 66 for Raleigh and Richmond and points north, and No. 38 for Raleigh and Portsmouth-Norfolk. At Monroe with No. 53 for Atlanta, at Charlotte for Western Carolina Points.

No. 39 connects at Hamlet with No 41 for Atlanta, Birmingham and Charlotte, with No. 84 for Washington and New York, No. 32 for Portsmouth-Norfolk and No. 42 for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville.

For time-tables and any information apply to your nearest Ticket Agent or call Phone No. 1294.

J. D. EDWARDS, Union Ticket Agent.
F. A. FETTER, Agent.
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STATEMENT

Report of the Condition of THE ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK, at Wilmington in the State of North Carolina, at the Close of Business, December 3rd, 1907.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts		$ 669,720.86
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		1,254 21
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		125,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		50,000 00
Bonds, securties, etc		149,100 00
Banking House Furniture and fixtures		20,000 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)		117,316 74
Due from State Banks and bankers		70,916 15
Due from approved reserve agents		48,125 63
Checks and other cash items		907 46
Notes of other National Banks		15,485 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents		2,518 58
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:		
Specie	$84,740 75	
Legal tender notes	61,860 00	146,600 75
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)		7,064 47
Total		$1,424,009 85

LIABILITIES.

Captital stock paid in	$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	125,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	92,062 33
National Bank notes outstanding	125,000 00
Due to other national Banks	66,119 03
Due to State Banks and Bankers	107,089 94
Dividends unpaid	873 00
Individual deposits subject to check	721,600 30
Certified checks	40 00
Cashier's checks outstanding	11,225 25
United States deposits	50,000 00
Total	$1,424,009 85

State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover.

I J. W. Yates, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. W. YATES, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4th day of December, 1907.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

Correct Attest:

D. McEACHERN,
WM. E. WORTH,
C. W. YATES,
Directors.

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For rates and time tables apply to the undersigned.

C. H. GATTIS, Traveling Passenger Agent, Raleigh, N. C.

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Atlantic Coast Line

Schedule in Effect November 17, 1907

NOTICE.

The arrivals and departures are given as information, as well as connections with other companies; but arrivals and connections are not guaranteed.

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48.	No. 42.
Lv. Wilmington	9.40 am	7.00 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	12:50 pm	9:55 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount	3:55 pm	11:40 pm
Ar. Weldon	4:55 pm	3:42 am
Ar. Norfolk	8:30 pm	
Ar. Wilson	1:58 pm	10:52 pm
Ar. Petersburg	7:05 pm	5:38 am
Ar. Richmond	8:00 pm	6:25 am
Ar. Washington	11:50 pm	10:05 am
Ar. Baltimore	1:43 am	11:20 am
Ar. Philadelphia	4:25 am	1:41 pm
Ar. New York	7:23 am	4:15 pm

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41.	No. 49.
Lv. New York	9:25 am	9:25 pm
Ar. Philadelphia	11:55 am	12:15 am
Ar. Baltimore	2:15 pm	2:46 am
Ar Washington	3:45 pm	4:20 am
Lv. Norfolk		8:30 am
Lv. Richmond	7:25 pm	8:15 am
Ar. Petersburg	8:05 pm	9:03 am
Ar. Weldon	9:59 pm	11:28 am
Ar. Rocky Mount	11:03 pm	12:55 pm
Ar. Wilson	11:50 pm	1:59 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	6.15 am	3.12 pm
Ar. Wilmington	9.35 am	6.10 pm

BETWEEN ILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Wil't'n	5:15 am	3:35 pm	7:00 pm
Ar. Flor.	9:05 am	7:30 pm	4:30 am
Ar. Col'bia	12:25 pm	11:10 pm	am
Ar. Ch'st'n	1:10 pm	11:37 pm	7:30 am
Ar. Sav'n'	6:55 pm	2:45 am	9:54 am
Ar. J'k'ville		9:00 am	2:20 pm
Ar. Tampa		7:15 pm	11:00 pm

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Tampa	9:00 pm	10:20 am
Lv. Jacksonville	9:30 am	7:35 pm
Ar. Savannah	1:41 pm	11:59 am
Lv. Charleston	6:12 pm	5:20 am
Lv. Columbia	4:30 pm	8:00 am
Ar. Florence	7:34 pm	8:55 am
Ar. Wilmington	1:10 am	1:20 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	Westbound. Daily.	Eastbound. Daily.
Lv. Wilmington	8:40 am	Ar. 8:15 pm
Lv. Fayetteville	12:10 pm	Ar. 4:55 pm
Ar. Sanford	1:40 pm	Lv. 3:40 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEW BERN.

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

	Northbound.	Southbound.
Lv. Wilmington	3:20 pm	1:00 pm
Ar. Newbern	7:00 pm	Lv. 9:25 am

Trains No. 42 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with Pennsylvania R. R., for all points east.

Trains No. 48 and 49 carry Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.

Trains No. 55 and 50 carry Pullman Sleeper between Wilmington and Columbia.

T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent.
W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager.

TO THE BEACH

Suburban Schedule

(In Effect Sunday, Oct. 13th, 1907.)
Daily Except Sunday.

Wilmington Eastbound	LEAVE Wrightsville Westbound	Beach Westbound
7:00 A M	6:25 A M	
7:30 A M	7:55 A M	7:45 A M
8:30 A M	8:25 A M	8:15 A M
10:00 A M	9:25 A M	9:15 A M
11:30 A M	10:55 A M	10:45 A M
1:00 P M	12:25 P M	12:15 P.M
2:30 P M	1:55 P M	1:45 P M
3:00 P M	3:25 P M	3:15 P M
4:00 P M	4:25 P M	4:15 P M
5:30 P M	5:25 P M	5:15 P M
6:15 P M	6:25 P M	6:15 P M
7:00 P M	7:25 P M	7:15 P M
8:00 P M	7:55 P M	7:45 P M
9:30 P M	8:55 P M	8:45P M
11:00 P M	10:25 P M	10:15 P M
	11:25 P M	

Freight Schedule

Leave Wilmington 4:00 P. M. (daily except Sunday).

Freight received at Ninth and Orange from 3 to 4 P. M.

CAROLINA PLACE SCHEDULE

Cars will be operated between Front and Princess and Seventeenth and Market every 20 minutes. Leaving Front and Princess at 6:55 A. M. until 9:55 P. M.

Leaving Seventeenth and Market from 7:05 A. M. until 10:05 P. M. All Suburban cars will make regular stops at Delgado.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE.

Wilmington Eastbound	LEAVE Wrightsville Westbound	Beach Westbound
9:00 A M		
10:00 A M	9:55 A M	9:45 A M
11:30 A M	10:55 A M	10:45 A M
1:00 P M	12:25 P M	12:15 P M
2:30 P M	1:55 P M	1:45 P M
3:00 P M	3:25 P M	3:15 P M
4:00 P M	4:25 P M	4:15 P M
5:30 P M	5:25 P M	5:15 P M
6:15 P M	6:25 P M	6:15 P M
7:00 P M	7:25 P M	7:15 P M
8:00 P M	7:55 P M	7:15 P M
9:30 P M	8:55 P M	8:45 P M
11:00 P M	10:25 P M	10:15 P M
	11:25 P M	

Carolina Place Schedule. (Sundays)

Leave Front and Princess streets every 20 minutes from 8:35 A. M. to 9:55 P. M.

Leave 17th and Market streets every 20 minutes from 8:45 A. M. to 10:05 P. M.

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COMMERCIAL

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 18.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady 42 3-4 cents.

ROSIN—Market, steady at $2.70 per barrel of 280 pounds.

TAR—Market, steady $1.40.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm $2.00 per barrel for hard, $3.00 for dip and $3.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm 66 1-2; rosin firm steady $3.70; tar firm $2.35; crude turpentine, $3.35, $4.50; $4.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine 4
Rosin 39
Tar 197
Crude Turpentine 106

Receipts same day last year, 102 casks spirits turpentine; 422 barrels rosin; 387 barrels tar; 91 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady at 11 1-8 cents for middling.

Same day last year—Firm at 10 3-8 cents for middling.

Receipts—2,843 bales, same day last year 1,112 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

PEANUTS—North Carolina Prime 80c, extra prime, 85c; fancy, 90c per bushel of 28 pounds; Virginia—No. 1, 60c; fancy 65@66c; Spanish, 85@90c.

CORN—Firm, 80@82 1-2 per bushel for white; 78@80 for mixed.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams, 17c per pound; shoulders 12 1-2@13; sides dull, 12 1-2@13c.

EGGS—Dull at 25c. per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull at 15@30c. for large springs; growns, firm, 30@35c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 24c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2@5c. per per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2 per pound on foot.

HIDES—Dry flint, 8 to 9c; green 4 to 5c per pound.

PORK—Firm at 7@10c. per pound.

TURKEYS—Firm at 15c on foot; 18@20c. dressed.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 65@70c per bushel.

CHEESE—Firm, 60@70c per head.

COW PEAS — $1.40@$1.50 per bushel; white peas, $2.50 to $2.75 per bushel.

WOOL—Firm at 23@24c per pound.

THE COTTON MARKET

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 18.—Beyond a flurry of activity during the early session, the cotton market had a quiet day, closing steady net one point lower to two points higher. Sales were estimated at only 175,000 bales.

The market opened steady at unchanged prices to a decline of three points and during the first few minutes the active positions sold 4 to 5 points net lower under a continuation of the pressure noted yesterday. Around 10.53 for January, however, there was an active demand. A couple of brokers credited with representing big Wall Street interests bought fully 50,000 bales of March and May in between 10 and 25 minutes and prices shot up on this demand to 10.69 for January and from 10.72 to 10.90 for March. The active months generally showed a net gain of 12 to 13 points at this time, but later the advance was lost under realizing and some bear pressure from local sources. There was a rumor that the National Ginners Association estimated 9,735,000 bales ginned to December 13th, which undoubtedly checked the early advance but a report later that this estimate would not be issued until tomorrow and some local traders thought that the figures for condition were regulated for sentimental effect. More or less conflicting reports came from the spot markets and had little influence upon the traders who appeared to be waiting for the census report expected at the opening Friday.

Receipts at ports today, 45,462 bales against 70,767 bales last week and 57,721 bales last year. For the week, 360,000 bales, against 369,093 last week and 363,701 last year.

Today's receipts at New Orleans were 11,394 bales against 15,411 last year, and at Houston 13,752 bales against 18,109 last year.

Spots closed steady; middling uplands 11.90; middling gulf 12.15; sales 2,113 bales.

Futures steady.

December	11.20	11.26
January	10.54	10.56
February		10.69
March	10.75	10.78
April	10.75	10.81
May	10.81	10.83
June	10.82	10.83
July	10.77	10.79
August	10.60	10.60

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Quiet, 11 7-8; net receipts 10,220.

New Orleans—Steady, 11 3-8; net receipts 11,394.

Mobile—Steady, 11 1-8; net receipts 3,331.

Savannah—Quiet, 11 1-8; net receipts 9,348.

Charleston—Steady, 11; net receipts 710.

Wilmington—Steady, 11 1-8; net receipts 2,843.

Norfolk—Steady, 11 7-16; net receipts 5,818.

Baltimore—Nominal, 11 5-8.

New York—Steady, 11.90; net receipts 60.

Boston—Steady, 11.90.

Philadelphia—Steady, 12.15.

San Francisco—Net receipts 1,602.

Jacksonville—Net receipts 100.

Total today, at all ports, net receipts 45,426; Great Britian 20,791; Continent 16,487; Japan 1,602; stocks 998,569.

Consolidated, at all ports, net receipts 260,066; Great Britain 10,384; France 14,425; Continent 82,798; Japan 1,602.

Total since September 1st, at all ports, net receipts 4,324,965; Great Britain 1,353,482; France 388,865; Continent 1,367,649; Japan 47,729; Mexico 1,029.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Easy, 11 1-16; net receipts 13,752.

August—Steady, 11 5-16; net receipts 1,394.

Memphis—Steady, 11 5-8; net receipts 5,162.

St. Louis—Quiet, 11 3-4; net receipts 1,198.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 434.

Louisville—Firm, 11 3-4.

Little Rock—Firm, 11 1-8; net receipts 1,536.

Total today—Net receipts 23,476; gross receipts 28,357; shipments 26,924; sales 2,304; stocks 287,484.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

(By Cable to The Morning Star.)

Liverpool, Dec. 18.—Cotton: Spot in fair demand, prices 3 to 5 points lower. American middling, fair, 6.80; good middling, 6.44; middling, 6.18; low middling, 5.84; good ordinary, 5.42; ordinary 4.82.

The sales of the day were 10,000 bales of which 5000 were for speculation and export and included 9,700 American.

Receipts, 5,000 bales, including 3,300 American. Futures opened easier and closed steady. American middling G. O. C.: December, 5.80; December and January, 5.97 1-2; January and February, 5.80 1-2; February and March, 5.81; March and April, 5.81 1-2; April and May, 5.82; May and June, 5.82 1-2; June and July, 5.82; July and August, 5.78 1-2; August and September, 5.62; September and October, 5.66; October and November, 5.45 1-2.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 18.—The dry goods market for the day was dull and in many lines further movement awaits a revision of prices which does not seem probable for some weeks. Silk piece goods are quiet. Underwear and hosiery for fall will be opened the first week of July. The jobbers clearance sales will begin December 26.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 18.—The heavy congestion in today's dealings in a few stocks was unmistakably due to the professional character of the market.

This was particularly marked in Reading in which orders for many thousands of shares were executed from single houses. Readings' aggressive upward turn after early weakness affected the tone of the whole market in sympathy.

New York Central was an indifferent sharer in the general upturn in spite of the refutation of the recently declared early dividend at the 6 per cent. rate, inaugurated at this time last year. One of the day's events that relieved the market from some pressure was the relaxation of the tension in the call money market. The high rate was 14 per cent., and a recession from that to subsequent loans. There was less calling of loans by the banks and holders of stocks were freed to that extent, from the pressure to sell. The relapse in the rates for cables on London pointed to one source of relief. Yesterday there was an active demand for remittance but this method was ascribed to the approaching obligations to be met at the end of the year to foreign holders of stocks and bonds for dividends and interest. Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $1,922,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call. Total sales of stocks today 571,900 shares.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 18.—Money on call firm, 3 to 12 per cent., ruling rate 12, closing bid 3, offered at 3 1-2. Time loans nominal; sixty days, 12 to 15 per cent., ninety days 8 to 10 per cent.; six months 8 per cent. Close: Prime mercantile paper 8 per cent. Sterling exchange firmer, with actual business in bankers bills at 4.88 to 4.8605 for demand and at 4.8010 to 4.8015 for sixty day bills. Commercial bills 4.80. Bar silver 52 1-8. Mexican dollars 41.

New York Bonds.

U. S. refunding 2s reg	104 1-2
U. S. refunding 2s cou	105
U. S. 3s reg	101 1-2
U. S. 3s cou	101 1-2
U. S. new 4s reg	119
U. S. new 4s cou	119
American Tobacco Co. 4s	60
American Tobacco Co. 6s	93 7-8
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	84 1-2
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	95 1-2
L. & N. Unified 4s	94 1-2
Seaboard Air Line 4s	65
Southern Railway 5s	96
U. S. Steel 5s	83 3-4

Closing Stock List.

Amalgamated Copper	43 1-4
American Car Foundry	29 3-4
Amr. Car Foundry pfd	85@95
American Cotton Oil Co.	27 1-2
Amr. Cotton Oil Co. pfd	70@85
American Locomotive	35
American Smelting & Ref.	68 1-2
Amr. Smelting & Ref pfd	89 1-2
American Sugar Refining	96
Amr. Tobacco pfd cert.	68 3-4
Atchison	70
Atchison pfd	85
Atlantic Coast Line	66
Baltimore & Ohio	80 1-4
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	75
Chesapeake & Ohio	29 1-4
Kansas City Southern	22 3-4
Kansas City Southern pfd	52
L. & N.	90
New York Central	93 1-2
Norfolk & Western	64
Norfolk & Western pfd	70@75
Pennsylvania	111 1-4
People's Gas	77 1-2
Reading	92 3-4
Reading 1st pfd	74
Reading 2nd pfd	72
Rock Island Co	14 1-4
Rock Island Co. pfd	27 3-4
Southern Pacific	72 1-4
Southern Pacific pfd	107 5-8
Southern Railway	13 3-8
Southern Railway pfd	37
Tenn., Coal & Iron	95
U. S. Steel	25 3-8
U. S. Steel pfd	86 7-8
Va-Car. Chemical	15 3-4
Va.-Car. Chemical pfd	85
Seaboard Air Line	
Seaboard Air Line pfd	
Standard Oil	455
Western Union	55 1-2

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 18.—FLOUR—Firm, with a fair trade.

RYE FOLUR—Firm.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Steady.

CORN MEAL—Steady.

WHEAT—Spot Steady; No. 2 red 1.04 3-4 elevator. Options 1-4c to 1-2c net lower. December 1.01 3-4; May 1.11 3-4; July 1.06.

CORN—Spot easy; No. 2, 72 elevator. Options 1-2c higher to 5-8c lower; December 65 1-8; May 67 5-8.

OATS—Spot firm; mixed 55.

LARD—Easy; western prime 8.25 to 8.35.

PORK—Barely steady; family 18.00 to 18.50.

TALLOW—Easy.

RICE—Quiet.

MOLASSES—Steady.

SUGAR—Raw firm; fair refining 3.30 to 3.35; centrifugal 96 test 3.85; molasses sugar 3.00 to 3.05. Refined steady.

COFFEE—Spot steady; Rio No. 7, 6 7-8; Santos No. 4, 8c. Mild coffee, quiet; cordova 9 1-2 to 13. Futures net unchanged to 5 points lower.

BUTTER—Steady, unchanged.

CHEESE—Firm.

EGGS—Steady, unchanged.

COTTON SEED OIL was easy under bear pressure; prime crude, 30 to 31; prime summer yellow, 38 1-2; off summer yellow, 36 1-2 to 37 1-2; good off summer yellow, 38 1-2 to 39; prime white, 44; prime winter yellow, 45.

FREIGHTS—Steady, unchanged.

PEANUTS—Steady, unchanged.

POTATOES—Firmer; Long Island per barrel 2.25 to 2.75; state and western per sack 1.90 to 2.20.

CABBAGES—Firm, unchanged.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Conflicting reports regarding weather condition in Argentina caused extreme nervousness in the local wheat market today, prices covering a range of 1 1-2 to 2 1-4. The market closed weak with the May delivery 3-8 below yeasterday's closing quotation. Corn was 7-8 to 1c lower. Oats were off 5-8c. Provisions were a shade to 2 1-2c lower.

Leading features closed as follows:

Wheat—Dec. 98 1-4; May 1.04 7-8; July 95.

Corn—Dec. 57 3-4; May 58 1-8; July 57 1-8.

Oats—May, old 54 1-8; May, new 52 1-2; July, old 48 1-8; July, new 45 5-8 to 45 5-6.

Mess Pork, per bbl.—Jan. 12.65; May 13.10.

Lard, per 100 lbs.—Jan. 7.75; May 7.82 1-2.

Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—Jan. 6.75; May 7.05.

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour—Firm.

No. 2 spring wheat—1.09 to 1.13; No. 3, 1.00 to 1.12; No. 2 red 98 1-4 to 1.00

No. 2 corn—61; No. 2 yellow 65 1-2.

No. 2 oats—50 7-8; No. 3 white 50 1-4 to 53 1-2.

Short Ribs, Sides (loose)—6.75 to 7.25.

Mess Pork, per bbl.—12.12 1-2 to 12.25.

Lard, per 100 lbs.—7.95.

Short Clear Sides (boxed)—7.00 to 7.12 1-2.

Whiskey, basis of high wines—1.35.

NAVAL STORES.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 18.—Rosin quiet, strained common to good $3.30 to 3.35, turpentine quiet at 47 1-2.

Charleston, Dec. 18.—Turpentine and rosin nothing doing.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 18.—Spirits turpentine quiet, 43 1-2; sales, 116; receipts, 519; shipments, 12.

Rosin, firm; sales, 3,992; receipts, 3,311; shipments, 566; stocks, 118,267.

Quote: A. B. C., 2.80; D, 2.90; E, 2.85 to 3.05; F, 2.95 to 3.10; G, 3.95 to 3.10; H, 2.95 to 3.10; I 3.50; K, 4.50; M, 5.25; N, 6.10; WG, 6.25; WW, 4.25 to 6.50.

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Exports—Foreign.

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BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 18, 1907.

C. C. Railroad—313 bales cotton, 27 barrels rosin, 78 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—424 bales cotton, 32 barrels tar, 1 barrel crude turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—1,747 bales cotton, 12 barrels rosin, 53 barrels tar, 53 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—271 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 34 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—88 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 50 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—2,843 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 39 barrels rosin, 197 barrels tar, 106 barrels crude turpentine.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, N. C.

Steamers.

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Byglands, (Nor.) 1,640 tons, Olsen, C. D. Maffitt.

Lord Derby, (Br.), 2,401 tons, Henrickson, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Hellmere (Br.) 2,299 tons, Lakes, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Sierra Blanca (Br.) 2,338 tons, Gruchy Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

John W. Hall, 329 tons, Bennett, C. D. Maffitt.

E. Marie Brown, 378 tons, Brown, C. D. Maffitt.

Admiral (Br.), 83 tons, Pearce, Springer Coal Co.

Massachusetts, 437 tons, Lane, C. D. Maffitt.

John M. Brown, 270 tons, Stevens, C. D. Maffitt.

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SOMETHING OF A SENSATION

Sprung When Secretary of The Treasury Cortelyou Was Cited to Appear in Court.

NEW YORKER IS COMPLAINANT

Says His Bid for Panama Bonds Was Higher Than That of Banks to Which Allotments Were Made.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 18.—Justice Gould of the District Supreme Court, today cited George B. Cortelyou, Secretary of the Treasury, to appear in court Friday, January 3, 1908, to show cause why he should not be enjoined from turning over or delivering the balance of the $21,450,000 of the Panama Canal bonds to certain banks and persons to whom he has announced allotments.

The citation issued by Justice Gould, is based on a petition filed by George W. Austin of New York, who describes himself as a tax payer and property owner in the United States and who declares he made a proposal to purchase bonds of the advertised issue of the face value of $3,000,000. He avers he had agreed to pay at the rate of 103.375 and accrued interest per 100 dollars and on notice of the acceptance of his subscription stands ready to deposit the amount with the Assistant Treasurer at New York.

Mr. Austin informs the court that he has been advised through the publis press that in direct violation of the statutes and in absolute disregard of the Treasury Department's circular No. 68, of the $25,000,000 of the bonds allotted, only $1,000,000 were allotted to natural persons, who were individual bidders for the same, and who, in accordance with the statutes and said circular were given an equal opportunity to subscribe therefor, the remaining $24,000,000 were allotted to divers national banks throughout the United States and only $3,550,000 of which were allotted to banks, had a higher price than that bid by him.

When he learned that his bid had been ignored and no allotment made to him, he says, he complained to the department and the response convinces him that the Secretary's intention is to disregard the statutes and thereby commit malfeasance for which he says he advises and avers Mr. Cortelyou is not a man of sufficient means to answer to the citizens of the United States and to him."

LOOKS LIKE BRYAN.

So Said Congressman Champ Clark of Missouri Yesterday.

(By Wire to the Morn'ng Star.)

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 18.—Congressman Champ Clark, of Missouri, who was here today to deliver a lecture, said in an interview: "It certainly looks as though Mr. Bryan would get the Democratic nomination and furthermore, he will be elected if the Republican leaders do not stop quarreling among themselves.

"The Republican party has not been so split for many years. President Roosevelt's third term decision certainly means that he will never again be a candidate for the Presidency, if there is any meaning in the English language," said the Missouri Congressman, "and with the Republican party split into two factions, the one headed by Taft and the other by 'Uncle Joe' Cannon, Foraker, Hughes, Knox and others, there seems to be every chance of victory for the Democrats."

Regarding the movement of the navy, Congressman Clark said: "Sending the fleet to the Pacific is all right. If I believed that no foreign nation objected to its going there I would not favor the risk and expense of a long trip, but because I do believe that certain nations do object, I am in favor of sending it to the Pacific waters and keeping it there as long as we see fit."

CIRCUS MAN DEAD.

Was Head of a Big Combination That Controlled Several Shows.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New Orleans, Dec. 18.—Augustus Ringling, head of the circus combination which controls the shows of Ringling Brothers, Barnum & Bailey and Forepough-Sells, died here today at a sanitarium.

Death was due to a complication of diseases. Mr. Ringling came to New Orleans about two weeks ago with the hope that the Southern climate would benefit him.

Augustus Ringling was the oldest of seven brothers. Born a poor boy fifty years ago, he educated himself and accumulated sufficient funds with his brothers to start in their little home town of Baroboo, Wisconsin, the nucleus of the great shows he controlled at his death.

BIG REWARD OFFERED.

Governor Blanchard Wants Guilty Parties Punished.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 16.—Governor Blanchard today offered a reward of $1,000 for the arrest and conviction of parties composing the mob which attacked a number of Italian laborers near Chathamville, La., several days ago, killing two of them.

The Governor today wrote to the Judge, District Attorney, and Sheriff, ordering them to take up the matter immediately and vigorously search for the guilty parties.

TWELVE MEN MURDERED

Band of Yaquis Indians is On War Path in the State of Soronora Mexico—Only One Escaped Out of Total of Thirteen.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

No Gales, Ariz., Dec. 18.—Information which has just reached here tells of the frightful murder of twelve men by a band of one hundred and fifty Yaqui Indians, forty-five miles Southeast of Magdalena, State of Soronora, Mexico, last Wednesday.

P. J. McIntyre and a party of mining men of this section have arrived from the scene where they viewed the remains of the murdered men.

The Yaquis captured the party of thirteen men. Among the number was Jose Fernandez, son of President Fernandez of the town of Cucurpe and owner of the Mescal Plantation where the killing occurred. The others were Mexican laborers on the ranch and some Canank miners looking for work.

One American was among the number, but he was rescued by men who told him that they were Americans.

The remaining twelve were stripped naked, stood up against trees and shot through the head. A band of Yaquis is reported to be on the war path.

TEMPORARY INJUNCTION SIGNED

Federation of Labor Cannot Boycott the Bucks Stove Co.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 18.—After hearing arguments on various points in the case, Justice Ashley M. Gould, in equity court, today signed the decree temporarily restraining and enjoining the American Federation of Labor, its officers and all others from interfering with the business of the Buck Stove and Range Cocpany and from delcaring and threatening any boycott against it.

All attempts of counsel for the American Federation of Labor to modify the decree failed except in one particular, and that was to exclude from the order the electrotype molders and finishers Union No. 17, against which it was shown no specific allegation had been made.

Justice Gould took occasion to dwell upon the question of jurisdiction. He said there would be no attempt made by the court to assume jurisdiction beyond the confines of the District of Columbia, but that its order was operative upon all the persons defendant, who were within the District of Columbia. An act, he said, committed by an agent or associate of one of these defendants outside the District of Columbia could be held as the act of the person within the District of Columbia so ordering it and subject such person to the punitive power of the court. He believed the decree should be very broad and that he need not be too specific. There was, he said, no likelihood of the order not being misunderstood because he was not enjoining ignorent men but men who knew their rights and knew the law. Mr. Gompers, he said, was one of these.

BATTLESHIP FLEET REPORTS

At 5:30 P. M. Was 270 Miles South of Cape Henry.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 18.—The wireless station at the Norfolk Navy Yard was in communication with the Battleship Fleet at 5:24 P. M. It was then 270 miles South of Cape Henry.

Communication was indistinct and part of the message was lost. Smooth sea reported.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 18.—The Savannah wireless station this afternoon was in communication with the flagship Connecticut, the Georgia and the Minnesota, of the battleship fleet. Many official and private messages being sent to Norfolk, Washington and New York, from officers and correspondents with the fleet were caught.

The message showed that the wireless telephones are being used on the trip and are proving successful. The ships in the squadrons carry on conversations and receive orders for formation by wireless telephone.

At 8 P. M. the fleet was reported in communication with the wireless station at San Juan, P. R.

The following message was caught at the Savannah station:

"Wednesday noon, 240 miles; course remains southeasterly, fleet 550 miles southeast Jacksonville."

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 18.—The following messages to The Associated Press were received at the wireless station Norfolk navy yard from Lieutenant Chandler aboard the battleship Connecticut:

"8:15 P. M. Connecticut via Minnesota, to Associated Press, New York, via Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va. Fleet 750 miles northwest of St. Thomas. Fine weather."

"8:20 P. M. Fleet in double column, 1,600 yards intervals and at 7:30 o'clock headed for Virgin Passage. Smooth sea."

"8:55 P. M. From Tuesday to Wednesday noon, fleet covered 240 miles, regaining course easterly. Admiral Evans telephoned at noon order to double column fleet at 1,600 yards intervals and maneuvre was well executed. Louisiana united with the Kansas under Commander Emory when beyond the gulf stream. With moderate swells in a perfect day, the two lines of white ships on the blue water line presented a magnificent picture. The crews are dressed in white. The squadrons are nearly shaken down and keeping the distances perfectly."

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RESOLUTIONS BY TILLMAN

Stirs up Senators to a Lengthy Discussion of Whiskey Question and States Rights.

HOUSE COMMITTIES TODAY

Senator Culberson's Resolution Has Been Sent to Committee on Finance—After Holidays Something May be Done.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 18.—In the Senate today resolutions were introduced by Senator Tillman asking the Inter-State Commerce Commission to report whether any corporation engaged in inter-state commerce is the owner of the stock of any other corporation, transporting passengers and freight and calling upon the Inter-State Commerce Commission to define the authority of the Federal Government and of the States in respect to the control of the liquor traffic through the operation of the inter-state commerce law.

These resolutions proved the subject for considerable debate and were finally referred to committees, though one of them was transformed into a bill.

Senator Culberson spoke on his resolution calling on the Committee on Finance to investigate and report upon the cause of the present financial stringency and to recommend measures for the prevention of its recurrence. The resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Senate adjourned at 4 o'clock until Saturday.

The House was not in session.

The report that the Canadian Pacific railroad has succeeded in acquiring a majority of the stock of some American Railroads having come to the attention of Senator Tillman he today introduced the following resolution:

"That the Inter-State Commerce Commission is directed to inform the Senate whether any corporations engaged in inter-state commerce are the owners of any of the capital stock of other corporations which are transporting passengers and freights; and if so the commission is further directed to transmit a statement showing the extent and details of such ownership so far as the facts now appear in the office of the commission and to state in what cases the corporation whose stocks so owned have been competitors for traffic with the corporations owning their stock."

Senator Aldrich objected to the passage of this resolution on the ground that it called for a great deal of information from the Inter-State Commerce Commission, which would consume much time and he thought it should first go to the Committee on Inter-State Commerce in order that that committee might ascertain how much work would be involved in it.

Senator Tillman remarked that the Senator from Rhode Island seemed to be suspicious.

"I am always more or less suspicious of a resolution coming from the Senator of South Carolina" retorted Mr. Aldrich.

"Because he wants to get the facts?" asked Mr. Tillman.

"No," replied Mr. Aldrich, "because he may want to get facts fitting into a preconceived idea of what should be done."

Mr. Aldrich insisted upon his objection and consideration of the resolution was postponed which action has the effect of deferring it until after the holidays.

Senator Tillman today introduced the following resolution on the liquor traffic:

"That the committee on Inter-State Commerce be instructed to consider and report by bill or otherwise what legislation is desirable or necessary to enable the States in the exercise of their police powers, to control the commerce of liquors and all alcoholic beverages within their borders so as to aid the cause of temperance and to prevent the encouragement by the United States government of illicit dealing in the same."

Explaining his purpose in the matter Mr. Tillman said it was to prevent if possible, the circumvention of the laws in the interest of Prohibition which are being generally enacted in the Southern States. "Congress attempted, in enacting the Wilson law to protect the people in the enforcement of their State laws, but the courts have shaded down the protection until there is practically nothing left of it and I want the committee to ascertain whether it is not practicable to give relief. The decisions of the courts have been on the ground that the law interferes with Inter-State Commerce and it is on this account that I have asked to have the investigation made by the Inter-State Commerce Committee."

Mr. Tillman holds the express companies responsible for the invasion of the State laws. He says they are flooding the local option part of South Carolina and other local option Southern States with whiskey which is sent in from other States "C. O. D." The Supreme Court of the United States has held that such traffic cannot be interferred with because of its inter-state character.

When Mr. Tillman attempted to secure the adoption of the resolution he aroused a long discussion.

Mr. Aldrich suggested that the measure should go to the Committee on Judiciary. Mr. Tillman consented to the change but insisted that any committee taking charge of it should first be instructed to take the question up.

"Does the Senator from South Carolina," asked Mr. Kean, "want to instruct States what laws they should pass to protect themselves from the liquor traffic?"

Mr. Tillman explained that his resolution simply sought to define the point at which the police power of the State begins. As Governor of South Carolina, he had dealt with this question. He wanted some committee to determine how far Congress can go in limiting as a police power, the control over inter-state traffic in intoxicating beverages.

Senator Clark of Wyoming, chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary preferred having the resolution laid over until it could be worded in a way to allow the committee to report on it intelligently. A general discussion concerning the powers of States and of the Federal Government was then precipitated. Mr. Aldrich said the question had been before the committe on Judiciary in five or six Congresses. The Supreme Court of the United States, concluded Mr. Aldrich, held that the sale of liquor was a matter of commerce and not of police. Senator Culberson suggested that a report of a committee of Congress cannot add to, or take away from the power of a State or of the Federal Government. The constitution, he said, provides that Congress shall regulate inter-state commerce, and no Act of a Legislature of any State could add to or take from that power. If it be intra-state commerce, the State alone could regulate it.

"The States," he said, "will determine for themselves how far they may go and the Federal Congresses will determine for itself how far the National Government will go."

Senator Bailey said the passage of the Wilson law was specifically and avowedly for the purpose of permitting the States to regulate this question of the liquor traffic.

"This was," he said, "one of those hasty pieces of Legislation dashed off in a delirium and such laws are generally found to be wanting."

Mr. Bailey said as the law had been interpreted by the Supreme Court of the United States the package did not enter a State until its delivery to the consignee.

Mr. Knox considered it unfortunate that the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States had maintained that the "arrival" of the goods should mean their delivery to the consignee.

"I don't believe," he said, "that it is necessary to deal with this matter by a resolution.

After further discussion in which Senators Bacon, McCumber, Knox and Tillman participated Mr. Knox suggested that the whole difficulty could be reached through a bill.

"Draw one," suggested Mr. Tillman, whereupon Mr. Knox prepared an amendment to the Wilson bill providing that the control of the State should begin as soon as the package "is within the borders of a State, and before or after delivery to the consignee."

Mr. Tillman then withdrew his resolution and offered the bill which was referred to the committee on judiciary.

The bill as presented reads:

"That all fermented, distilled or other intoxicating liquors or liquids transported into any State or Territory or remaining therein for use, consumption, sale or storage therein, upon arrival within the borders of the State and before or after delivery to the consignee in such State or Territory be subject to the operation and effect of the laws of such State or Territory enacted in the exercise of its police powers, to the same extent and in the same manner as though such liquids or liquors had been produced in such State or Territory and shall not be exempt therefrom by reason of being introduced therein in original packages or otherwise.

When the House re-convenes at noon tomorrow (Thursday) Speaker Cannon will announce his asignments of members to committees with the exception of those on Appropriations, Banking and Currency, Mileage, and Rules, which already have been named. The House will then be organized and in a position to get down to the business of the session immediately after the holiday recess.

Following precedent, no chairman in the Fifty-ninth Congress, who is a member of the Sixtieth Congress will be superceded, unless through the occurrence of a vacancy elsewhere he has become the ranking member of another and more important committee, in which case he is expected to step up.

Senator Culberson today called up and entered upon a discussion of his resolution directing the committee on finance to investigate the causes leading up to the present financial stringency. He referred to the message of the President, in which he suggested the necessity of legislation in the near future and said that either the President had changed his mind or that Congress was loath to carry out the recommendation.

"I have noticed," said Mr. Culberson, "that statements from Mr. Roosevelt have not always been received with a desire of welcome, as were those of his illustrious predecessor, George Washington."

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance.

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